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A BODY OF PRAYERS

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And we worship Thy Name : ever world without end."

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PREFACE.

IT is manifeſtly impoſſible to prepare anything like a *complete* manual of private devotions for even a ſingle claſs of Chriſtians. So diverſified are our ſtates of mind and degrees of ſpiritual progreſs, —ſo various our needs, difficulties, trials, infirmities, tranſgreſſions, lapſes, relapſes, —ſo manifold are our mercies,—and ſo continually are freſh combinations of circumſtances ariſing to ſupply us with freſh ſubjects for prayer or praiſe, that no ſingle volume, nor indeed any number of volumes

could be ſo prepared as to compriſe ſet forms of devotion in which perſons would find what would exactly ſuit their particular caſe under all the perpetually changing exigencies of daily life.

Nor is it needful or deſirable that an attempt ſhould be made to prepare ſuch a body of devotions. In grace, as in nature, advance and progreſs are gradual. "The attainment of great things is ſlow." In our prayers, as in all other good things, we muſt be content to go forward, ſtep by ſtep; at firſt tottering and leaning on ſuch outward ſupports as are within our reach, like children learning to walk; and then, as we get ſtrength, and are accuſtomed to the work, holding ourſelves erect, and ſtanding independent of our earlier aids. It is only when we ſeek earneſtly the ſpirit of prayer, and grow more inſtant therein, *that we learn to* appreciate its value and

comfort. The more we pray the more we ſhall feel that whatever befals us from hour to hour ought to be made the ſubject of prayer or praiſe. And the higheſt of all ſpiritual ſtates is that, in which the habit of inceſſant prayer is ſo formed, that the ſoul abides in a condition ſomething nearly approaching to that of unbroken communion with God. And he who is advancing to ſuch a ſtate will have no need of manuals whereby he may inſtruct himſelf how to offer ſuitable prayers under the various exigencies of the paſſing hour. Out of the abundance of his heart his mouth will ſpeak.

On the other hand, ſuch a manual as we have ſpoken of, (ſuppoſing for a moment one could be formed) would be rather diſcouraging and everwhelming than profitable and helpful to a beginner. Its *fulneſs* and variety would only bewilder

him; and he would be likely either to content himſelf with a low ſtandard of devotion, and give up in deſpair the attempt to become "a man of prayer;" or he would fall into the error of trying to work himſelf up, and ſtimulate himſelf into an unreal ſtate, and ſo get the ſhadow inſtead of the ſubſtance of true devotion.

Still, there are many who, like the compiler of the following pages, feel that, (between temptations to wandering thoughts, and a difficulty in expreſſing with fulneſs and reverence their various wants,) they have need of external aid, and ſo will be glad to have the opportunity of ſhaping their own petitions upon the models bequeathed us by thoſe who in their day were bright and ſhining lights in the Church of God.

For the uſe of ſuch perſons, the preſent *collection, gathered* out of the writings of

the ſoundeſt divines of the Reformed Church in England, has been put forth; and its claim on the conſideration of pious Churchmen is, that it differs from the manuals in ordinary uſe in this reſpect, that whereas they give one different form of devotions for each day and no more, thus confining the expreſſion of devotional feeling within fixed (and thoſe narrow) limits; in the volume now in the reader's hand, the various prayers are arranged under the ſeveral heads of confeſſion, thankſgiving, and the like, ſo as to enable each individual to make, on each ſeparate occaſion, ſuch a ſelection as ſeems moſt applicable to his own caſe at that particular moment.

If it pleaſe God ſo far to ſend His bleſſing on the preſent attempt, as that it ſhould be found generally uſeful, it is propoſed to publiſh another volume as a com-

panion to it, which ſhall contain Devotions for Sundays, for the Faſts and Feſtivals of the Church, together with Litanies, Prayers for Communicants, and for perſons in ſickneſs and ſorrow, and alſo forms of ſelf-examination.

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NOTICE.

NO Prayers or Thankſgivings which are to be found in the Book of Common Prayer are reprinted here, as it is preſumed that every Churchman has his Prayer Book at hand at all times of devotion.

With reſpect to the names prefixed to each prayer, it is ſimply meant that ſuch prayer is to be found (without anything more than a mere verbal alteration[1]) in the works of the author named, without entering into the queſtion whether it was compoſed by himſelf, or derived from more ancient ſources.

[1] Thus, *e.g.*, in the firſt prayer in this collection, Biſhop Taylor's expreſſion, "great reſentment of Thy mercies," (an expreſſion, which at the preſent day would be hardly intelligible,) has been changed to "*deep ſenſe* of."

Forms
of
Preparatory Prayer.

"O LORD, OPEN THOU MY LIPS."—PSALM LI. 15.

"LET THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH AND THE MEDITATION OF MY HEART : BE ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE IN THY SIGHT,

"O LORD : MY STRENGTH AND MY REDEEMER."—PSALM XIX. 14, 15.

FORMS OF

PREPARATORY PRAYER.

A Prayer against wandering thoughts, to be said at the beginning of our Devotions.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY God, Who haſt commanded us to pray unto Thee without ceaſing, and haſt added many glorious promiſes for our encouragement, let Thy Holy Spirit teach me how to pray: give me juſt apprehenſions of my want, zeal of Thy Glory, deep ſenſe of Thy mercies, love of all ſpiritual employments that are pleaſing unto Thee; and do Thou help mine infirmities, that the devil may not abuſe my fancy with illuſions, nor diſtract my mind with cares, nor alienate my

›ughts with impertinencies; but give : a preſent mind, great devotion, a heart ed upon Thy Divine beauties, and an ual intention and perſeverance in my ıyers, that I may glorify Thy Name, unto Thee true and laudable ſervice, d obtain relief for all my neceſſities. ear me, O King of Heaven, when I call on Thee; for Thou haſt promiſed rcy to them, that pray in the Name of r LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. *nen.*

A Preparatory Prayer.

Bp. Wilſon.

O HOLY SPIRIT of Grace! give us a true ſight of our miſeries, and a cere ſhame and ſorrow when we make ıfeſſion of our ſins; a feeling ſenſe of r need of mercy, and a hope of obning pardon, when we beg it for Thy N's ſake. May we reſign our wills Thee and to Thy goodneſs, when we ıy for temporal things; and when we ıy for ſpiritual graces, may we hunger

and thirſt after righteouſneſs. Give us a real love for Thy Holy Word, and grace to hear it with attention. May we thankfully cloſe with all the means of grace and ſalvation. When we praiſe Thee for Thy works of nature and grace, and give Thee thanks for Thy mercies, let us do it with high eſteem and gratitude. Cauſe us to hear Thy Holy Word with faith and attention, and to profit by what we hear, that we may return from Thy church with a bleſſing. *Amen.*

Prayer for Grace to Worship God acceptably.

Hele.

O ETERNAL and moſt glorious God, the great Creator, gracious Preſerver, and wiſe Governor of the world; Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Which was, and is, and is to come; Bleſſed for evermore; I, ſinful duſt and aſhes, in a deep ſenſe of my own weakneſs and wretchedneſs, and an humble dependence on Thine infinite Power and Goodneſs, preſent myſelf before the Throne

of Thy Grace, to offer up my ſacrifice of prayer and thankſgiving. O Thou That heareſt prayer, and of Whoſe only gift it cometh that we are able to pray unto Thee as we ought, mercifully look upon my infirmities; and ſend down Thy HOLY SPIRIT of grace and ſupplication upon me, that I may worſhip Thee in ſpirit and in truth, with fixedneſs of mind and fervency of deſire, with humility and reverence, faith and charity, ſuch as Thou wilt be graciouſly pleaſed to accept, through the mediation of Thine Only SON our SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

A Preparatory Prayer.

Spinckes.

PREVENT me, I beſeech Thee, O LORD, in all my doings with Thy moſt gracious inſpirations; and further me with Thy continued help, that every prayer and religious duty of mine may begin always from Thee, and in Thee be happily ended, and more eſpecially the ſervice I am now entering upon: ſuffer not the va-

nities of this world to divert my thoughts from what I am about, nor to diſtract my attention, and carry away my affections from Thee. O let me not incur the guilt of drawing near to Thee with my lips, while my heart is far from Thee: but quicken my ſoul, which cleaveth to the duſt; ſpiritualize my grovelling affections; poſſeſs my heart which opens itſelf to Thy gracious influences, with ſuch a ſtrong and vigorous love towards Thee, that whenever I proſtrate myſelf before Thee, my heart may be fixed and ſtayed on Thee, and my cold and earthly deſires touched with an out-ſtretched ray from Thyſelf, till they flame up to Thee in fervours anſwerable to my preſſing wants: that I may ſo aſk as to receive, ſo ſeek as to find, ſo knock that it may be opened unto me, through JESUS CHRIST, my Bleſſed LORD and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Acts of Confession.

'He that covereth his sins shall not pro
. : but whoso confesseth and forsaket
:m shall have mercy."—Proverbs xxviii. 1
'If we confess our sins He is faithful ar
t to forgive us our sins, and to clean
from all unrighteousness."—1 S. John i.

ACTS OF CONFESSION.

A Form of Confession.

Abp. Laud.

("Per L. A. W.," i.e. probably Lancelot Andrewes of Winton.)

ALMIGHTY God and moſt merciful Father, all merciful, mercy itſelf; I have erred wittingly, and ſtrayed willingly, nay, run from Thy ways, more like an untamed heifer, than a loſt or wandering ſheep. I have followed too much, even altogether, the abſurd devices and brutiſh deſires of my own heart. I have offended againſt, nay been offended at, Thy holy, moſt holy laws; I have left undone, not done at all, thoſe things which I ought to have done; and I have

done, done nothing elſe, but thoſe things which I ought not to have done; and there is no health, no hope of health in me. But Thou, O LORD, have mercy upon me, miſerable, moſt miſerable ſinner, the greateſt ſinner, and moſt unthankful for ſo great Grace. Spare me, and them all, O GOD, which confeſs their faults: reſtore me, and all them that be penitent, that deſire to be penitent, that wiſh they were, would be glad if they were ſo, that fear they are not enough, and are ſorry they are no more: for this is according to Thy promiſes, moſt precious, moſt gracious, moſt ſweet promiſes, declared unto mankind in CHRIST JESU our LORD. Grant, therefore, O moſt merciful FATHER, for His ſake, Who is our Redeemer, Advocate, Author and Finiſher of our faith, our propitiation, righteouſneſs, and juſtification, that I and all penitents may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and ſober life, to the glory of Thy Holy Name, and the ſalvation of our own ſouls. *Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY God, Powerful and Merciful, Thou art a jealous God againſt perſevering ſinners, but a gracious Father to the Penitent: let Thy merciful ears be opened to the petitions of Thy ſervant, who, with ſorrow and ſhame, confeſſes his ſins unto Thee.

I have loved the world, not Thee; I have obeyed the deſires of my own heart, not Thy holy laws and commandments: I have often left my duty undone, but have not ceaſed to pleaſe my ſenſes, and to feed greedily upon vanity: Thou haſt commanded us to love our brethren, and, inſtead of loving them, I have ſlandered and reproached, injured and tempted them, envied their good, and rejoiced in their calamity.

O Bleſſed God, I am aſhamed when I remember my follies, my violent paſſions, my peeviſhneſs and pride, my vain thoughts and unprofitable words, my uncharitable and uſeleſs converſation: I ſpend my days

in idleneſs and folly, my nights
images and cauſes of death; and
my ſins are ſo many that I cannot
them, yet I ſo little apprehend
dangers, that I neither leave them
nor heartily deplore them.

But, O God, Thou God of
compaſſion, have mercy upon
Thou art our Father, merciful
cious, and Thou haſt revealed to
an infinite mercy in Jesus Christ
His ſake be pleaſed to give me rep
and to give me pardon, and grant
ſoul being waſhed in the Blood of
Lamb and the Baptiſm of repen
may live a gracious, a holy, and
life, in all godlineſs, and honeſty,
briety, and may die in the love
in the charity of my neighbours,
communion of the Church, and
and certain hope of life eternal;
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, Great LORD of heaven and earth, I, a miſerable ſinner, with fear and ſhame, caſt myſelf down before Thee, humbly confeſſing my manifold ſins and unſufferable wickedneſſes, by which I have deſerved Thy wrath, and that I ſhould be ſeparated from the ſweeteſt comforts of Thy preſence for ever. I confeſs, O Great GOD, I have ſinned againſt Thee by knowledge and by ignorance, by folly and by ſurpriſe, by word and deed, by anger and deſires, by night and by day, in private and in public, by the luſts of the fleſh and the vanity and pride of my ſpirit: my ſins of omiſſion are infinite, and the ſins of my tongue cannot be numbered. O GOD, Thy words and laws are holy, and Thy judgments are terrible; but I have broken all Thy righteous laws and commandments, and I have great cauſe *to be afraid* of Thy ſevereſt judgments: *and* where ſhall I appear when *Thou art angry* with me? But Thou

ſhalt anſwer for me, O LORD my GOD: Thou art my Judge, but Thou art my Redeemer; I have ſinned, but Thou, O Bleſſed JESUS, art my Advocate. Have mercy upon me; have mercy upon me, moſt miſerable ſinner; enter not into judgment with me, leſt I die: let not Thine anger ariſe, leſt I be conſumed; but ſpare me, gracious LORD, ſpare Thy ſervant, whom Thou haſt redeemed with Thy moſt precious Blood: O reſerve not evil in ſtore for me againſt the day of vengeance, but ſhow Thy goodneſs in me, and let Thy mercies be magnified upon me: deliver me, O LORD, from the power of ſin; and preſerve me from the puniſhments of it, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

Bp. Ken.

O THOU great Judge of heaven and earth, before Whoſe glorious Majeſty even the good Angels, who never ſinned, fall proſtrate and tremble: with what debaſement and dread ought I to

appear before Thy awful Preſence, who am but duſt and aſhes, and which is infinitely worſe, a miſerable wretched ſinner! Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD Almighty, Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, with the leaſt approbation; the way of the wicked, and the ſacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to Thee. Woe is me then, O LORD, woe is me, for I have inclined unto wickedneſs with my heart, but for the ſake of Thy well-beloved SON, caſt not out my prayer nor turn Thy mercy from me. Miſerable wretch that I am, I have gone aſtray from the very womb; I was ſhapen in wickedneſs, and in ſin did my mother conceive me! Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? What is man then, O GOD, that he ſhould be clean; or he that is born of a woman, that he ſhould be righteous? Thou, LORD, putteſt no truſt in Thy ſaints, and the heavens are not clean in Thy ſight, and the very Angels Thou chargeſt with folly! How much more abominable then, and filthy, am I, who daily drink iniquity like water!

LORD, pity and cleanſe, and forgive and ſave me, for Thy mercies' ſake. I know, O GOD, that in my fleſh dwelleth no good thing; for when I would do good, evil is preſent with me, and I ſee a law in my members warring againſt the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of ſin. LORD, have mercy upon me, and deliver me from this body of death, from this tyranny of ſin. Alas! alas, my whole nature is corrupt, infinitely prone to all evil, and averſe to all that is good; my underſtanding is full of ignorance and error; my will is perverſe, my memory tenacious of all things that may pollute me, and forgetful of my duty: my paſſions are inordinate, my ſenſes the inlets of all impurity, and I have abuſed all my faculties; I am unclean, unclean! LORD, pity and cleanſe, and forgive and ſave me, for Thy mercy's ſake.

O LORD GOD, how have I through my whole life violated the ſolemn vow I made to Thee in my baptiſm, by eagerly purſuing the vanities of this wicked world, by eaſily yielding to the temptations of

the devil, by greedily indulging my own carnal defires and lufts, by a fruitlefs and dead faith, and by difobedience to Thy Holy Will and commands. FATHER, I have finned againft Heaven and in Thy fight, and am no more worthy to be called Thy fon. I have finned, O LORD GOD, I have finned againft Thee by ——[*Here confefs the fins which you have committed more immediately againft* GOD, *with their aggravations that accompany them. For inftance*]—

LORD, I have committed this fin, or thefe fins frequently, againft checks of confcience, &c. [*and then add,*] FATHER, I have finned againft Heaven, and in Thy fight, and am no more worthy to be called Thy fon. O pity and cleanfe, and forgive, and fave me for Thy mercy's fake. I have finned, O LORD GOD, I have finned againft Thee, and againft my own felf, by —— [*Here confefs the fins you have committed more immediately againft yourfelf, with their aggravations, &c., and fay as before*], FATHER, I have finned againft Heaven, &c. I have finned, O LORD GOD, I have finned

against Thee, and against my neighbour, by ——[*Here confess the sins you have committed more immediately against your neighbour, with their aggravations, &c., and add as before*], FATHER, I have sinned against Heaven, &c. O LORD GOD, my wickedness is great, and my iniquities are infinite; they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart would fail me, but that I well know Thy mercies are more numberless than my sins. Have mercy upon me, therefore, O LORD, according to Thy great goodness, according to the multitude of Thy mercies do away mine offences. Who, alas, can tell how oft he offendeth! O cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, from all my sins of ignorance or infirmity, or omission, or which I have not observed, or which I have forgot, LORD, lay none of them to my charge; FATHER, forgive; LORD JESUS, have mercy upon me. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth, but receive me, O Heavenly FATHER, into the arms of Thy Fatherly compassion, as Thou didst the returning prodigal, and forgive me all my

transgressions, for the merits of JESUS, Thy well-beloved SON, and my SAVIOUR. *Amen, Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

Lake.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful FATHER, but a most severe and just Judge to all obstinate and impenitent sinners, I acknowledge and bewail my manifold sins and wickedness, which I from time to time most grievously have committed in thought, word, and deed, against Thy Divine Majesty. I have sinned, and what shall I do unto Thee, O Thou Preserver of man? I have left undone those things which I ought to have done; and have done those things which I ought not to have done; and there is no health in me. But Thou, O LORD, have mercy upon me a most miserable offender. O LORD, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his wickedness and live, have mercy upon me; spare and restore me, who desire in

all humility to confeſs my faults, and to be penitent for them; have regard to Thy Son Jesus Christ Who is our Advocate with Thee, and the Propitiation for all our ſins for Whoſe ſake grant me true repentance, and the aſſiſtance of Thy Holy Spirit, to pleaſe Thee hereafter in all things, to teach and enable me to deny all ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, and to live ſoberly, godly, and righteouſly in this preſent evil world, that ſo at laſt I may come to Thine eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

Bp. Coſin.

FORGIVE me my ſins, O Lord, fo give me the ſins of my youth, a the ſins of my age, the ſins of my ſo and the ſins of my body, my ſecret a my whiſpering ſins my preſumptuous my crying ſins, the ſins that I have d to pleaſe myſelf, the ſins that I have d to pleaſe others. Forgive me my and wanton ſins. Forgive me my ſe

and deliberated ſins; forgive me thoſe ſins which I know, and thoſe ſins which I know not; the ſins which I have ſtriven ſo long to hide from others, that now I have even hid them from my own memory. Forgive them, O LORD, forgive them all, and of Thy great goodneſs let me be abſolved from mine offences, for JESUS CHRIST's ſake. *Amen.*

A Form of Confeſſion.

Abp. Laud.

O ETERNAL GOD and Merciful FATHER, pardon, I beſeech Thee, all the ſins, omiſſions, and commiſſions, thoughts, words, and deeds, by which I have provoked Thee unto anger, from the time of my birth to this preſent moment. That no one, nor all of my ſins together, may ever be able to cry oftener or louder in Thine ears for vengeance, than the cry of my prayers may aſcend up unto Thee for mercy and for forgiveness, and obtain that they ſue for. Particularly I humbly beſeech Thee, forgive

unto me my great and my clamorous ſins, ſuch as are, &c.

O LORD, againſt Heaven and againſt Thee have I ſinned, and committed foul tranſgreſſions in Thy ſight; but, I beſeech Thee, wipe them all out of the book of remembrances which Thou haſt written, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD and only SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin; and Prayer for the Forgiveness of it, and for Grace for the time to come.

[*Evening.*] *Hele.*

O ETERNAL and Almighty LORD GOD, Maker and Governor of the world, and our moſt Gracious and Merciful FATHER in CHRIST JESUS, I humbly pray Thee, in and through Him, to look down from Heaven, the habitation of Thy Holineſs and Glory, upon me Thy ſinful creature, now proſtrate before Thee, to adore and worſhip Thee, and to own all dependence upon Thee: to implore Thy pardon of my ſins, and to offer up my

evening ſacrifice of praiſe and thankſgiving for Thy many continued benefits and bleſſings. I am a ſinful man, O LORD, and altogether unworthy to lift up mine eyes to Thine offended Majeſty. Of the many days and years which Thou haſt afforded me, how few are there of which I can give a juſt account to Thee, or to my own ſoul!—O my GOD, with ſhame and ſorrow I confeſs, that as Thou of Thy mercy and forbearance increaſeſt the number of my days, ſo, through the frailty and perverſeneſs of my corrupt nature, I daily increaſe the number of my ſins. In how many inſtances have I offended, this day! How far have I been from living anſwerably to the obligations of my holy profeſſion; how far from walking before Thee in a due awe of Thy Sacred Preſence, and of the account I am to give of my time, and of the talents committed to my truſt!—LORD, my own heart condemns me; and Thou art infinitely greater than my heart, and knoweſt all things: but, O Merciful GOD, Who willeſt not that any ſhould periſh, but that

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crifice which Thy Bleſſed SON, by the
ɔlation of Himſelf, hath made for all
:nitent and returning ſinners. And, O
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ıprovement of the talents Thou haſt put
to my hands. Make me ever mindful
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:ſh, ſo particularly for thoſe peculiar ad-
ıntages I enjoy above many others: and
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l I have received, to thoſe ends for which
ıou haſt beſtowed it. Teach me ſo in-

duſtriouſly to huſband the precious time Thou lendeſt me here, as may be in order to a bleſſed eternity hereafter. And grant that, by the aſſiduous practice of my duty, I may arrive at ſuch a habit and reliſh of it, as may, by Thy Grace, enable me to ſubdue and mortify all ſenſual inclinations, and may make me feel and know that the ways of religion are indeed ways of pleaſantneſs, and all her paths are peace; and that in the keeping of Thy commandments there is great reward. LORD, grant that I may ſeek before all things, to be approved by Thee as a good and faithful ſervant, and to be an inſtrument in Thy hand of bringing others to the obedience of CHRIST: and this I beg for the ſake of the Same Thy SON JESUS CHRIST our SAVIOUR; Who with Thee, and the HOLY GHOST, liveth and reigneth, one GOD, world without end. *Amen.*

orm of Special Confession of Post-Baptismal Sin.

Abp. Laud.

) LORD, I have ſinned, and dealt wickedly, nay, offended Thee in all ine ordinances. Let Thy wrath turn m me, for I am weak; and hear my ıyers and deliver me, for Thine own :e, and the merits of my SAVIOUR JESUS HRIST. Amen. Gracious FATHER, ithout Thee I can do nothing but ſin; or can I confeſs it to have pardon but ›y Thee. I was conceived and born in in; and though Thou didſt waſh me rom that in the laver of Baptiſm, yet I ıave ſince defiled myſelf again, and by nany grievous actual ſins have made my-elf a ſinner above all other men, con-idering the great meaſure of grace that Thou haſt given me. LORD, increaſe Thy Grace, and by it weaken firſt, and then :ut off, my reſiſtance, that I may ſee, an :onfeſs, and hate, and forſake all my ſin .nd find Mercy and Salvation in the M its of my Bleſſed SAVIOUR JESUS CHRI: 'men.

A Devout Manner of Preparing ourselves to receive Absolution.

Bp. Cosin.

I THAT am a wretched sinner, here personally appearing and prostrate before the presence of the Everlasting God; having in remembrance the exceeding Mercy of His great Goodness towards me, whom He hath created of nothing, preserved, sustained, and loved, when I was most unworthy of anything; whom He hath of His incomprehensible clemency so often invited to repentance, and whose conversion and amendment He hath so patiently expected: as also having in memory, that at the day of my christening I was so happily and holily vowed and dedicated unto my God, to be His child, and to live in His continual service; yet that contrary to the profession that was then made in my name, I have so many and sundry times, so execrably and detestably violated my vows, profaned my *sacred promises*, and employed my soul to *the service of* the world, the flesh and the

devil; thereby deſpiſing the graces, and contemning the Goodneſs of God's Divine Majeſty: at length recalling myſelf, and in all lowly and devout wiſe here caſting my ſoul and body proſtrate before the dreadful throne of His Juſtice, I acknowledge and confeſs, and I yield myſelf a moſt miſerable wretched ſinner, guilty of that death and paſſion which Christ once ſuffered for me upon the tormenting Croſs. But turning myſelf to the throne of His Infinite Mercy, and with all my might and force from the very bowels of my heart, deteſting the iniquities of my forepaſt life, I moſt humbly beg and crave pardon for the ſame, with an entire abſolution from all my ſins, even for the precious death and paſſion's ſake of my Lord and Saviour: upon Whom, as upon the only foundation of my hope, I repoſe all my confidence, and unto Whom I promiſe and confirm again, I avow and ſolemnly renew the ſacred profeſſion of loyal ſervice and fidelity, which was made *in my name and* in my behalf unto Him *at my holy Baptiſm*: renouncing unfeign-

edly the vanities of this wicked world, the lusts of all sinful flesh; and the suggestions of the devil; and converting myself unto my most Gracious and Merciful God, I desire, deliberate, purpose, and fully resolve to honour Him, serve Him, love Him, and obey Him, now and for ever hereafter. Giving and dedicating unto Him, for this end, the powers of my soul, the affections of my heart, and the faculties of my body, to be His faithful, loyal, and obedient servants for ever, without unsaying, revoking, or repenting me of this my holy and sacred promise, or any part thereof. And I most humbly beseech Almighty God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to confirm me in this constant resolution, and to accept of this my broken and contrite heart, which He hath promised not to despise: entirely desiring His Fatherly Goodness, that as He hath given me a desire and will to purpose, so He would give me strength and grace to perform *all holy* actions, through Jesus Christ.

A Special Confession.

Bp. Cosin.

I CONFESS, &c., those sins, which, if I would, I cannot hide from Him: my sins of pride and vain-glory, of hatred and envy, of gluttony and wantonness, &c., which I acknowledge, through my fault, even through my own fault, and my most grievous fault, to have committed against His Heavenly and Awful Majesty. I am unclean and a sinful creature: I accuse myself of my wicked thoughts and desires that I have had, &c., of my wanton and evil words, that &c., of my naughty and ungodly deeds, that &c., for all which I am truly penitent from the depth of my soul, and am steadfastly resolved to show forth the fruits of repentance in my future course of life. And therefore, in all lowliness and humility of a broken heart, I beg my pardon, and cry unto God for mercy towards me, a most sinful and unworthy creature: that He Whose nature and property it is to forgive *sinners, and ever* to have mercy upon them

that truly turn unto Him, would vouchsafe, of His great pity and goodness, to give me the comfort of absolution, and a perfect remission of all my sins; to strengthen me in all good works, and to bring me unto life everlasting, through JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

An Act of Humiliation.

Bp. Wilson.

BEHOLD, O GOD, a creature, liable every moment to death, prostrate before Thee, begging, for JESUS CHRIST's sake, that faith and repentance to which Thou hast promised mercy and pardon.

Discover to me, O Thou Searcher of hearts, the charge that is against me, that I may know, and confess, and bewail, and abhor, and forsake, and repent of all the evils I have been guilty of.

Have mercy upon me, have mercy upon me, most Merciful FATHER, Who desirest not the death of a sinner; for Thy SON JESUS CHRIST's sake, forgive me all that is past.

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and wilt not justify any sinner in his transgressions. O LORD, suffer me not to be swallowed up of death and desperation; but in the multitude of Thy mercies pardon me, O LORD, for Thy Goodness' sake. For though I am a worm and no man, yet Thou art my Creator, and I am the work of Thy hands; yea, Thou art my FATHER, and I Thy son; Thou my Shepherd, and I one of Thy straggling flock; Thou my Redeemer, and I one of Thy people, whom Thou hast dearly bought; Thou my GOD, and I Thy creature. O correct me not in Thine anger, O LORD, neither punish me according to my deservings; but remember my weakness as well as my sin, and have mercy upon me, for my dearest SAVIOUR's sake, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

Prayer for Contrition.

Spinckes.

O MOST Merciful GOD, Who, notwithstanding my innumerable sins, my manifold abuses of Thy Goodness, and unthankfulness for Thy longsuffering and

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Spinckes.

NST Thee, O LORD, have I
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and what ſhall I now ſay unto Thee? I deſire to be duly humbled for all my undutiful carriage towards Thee; but to my ſhame, I find, that I am not ſo deeply affected with my guilt and folly, as I ought to be. I have highly offended Thee, and miſerably endangered my own ſalvation; and though I ſee and know this, yet I find by ſad experience, that I am not ſo thoroughly grieved at the ſight of my ſins, as were to be wiſhed, and as I truly deſire to be. I hope there is no ſin that has its full dominion over me: none, that I do not unfeignedly long and ſtrive to ſhake off, and free myſelf from it, ſo far as I ſhall be able (as alſo I moſt earneſtly deſire and beg the forgiveneſs of them all); only I am concerned and amazed that I ſhould not be more ſenſibly touched at the conſideration of them. Poſſeſs my ſoul, O Bleſſed God, with ſuch an affecting perception of my wickedneſs, that I may continually lament and bewail it; that rivers of tears may run *down mine* eyes, becauſe I have not kept *Thy law*; and may mourn in ſecret for

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For Repentance

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Thy ſervants in the ways of peace and ſanctity; inviting them by promiſes, and winning them by love; endearing them by neceſſities, and obliging them by the perpetual teſtimonies of Thy loving kindneſs; grant unto us ſo truly to repent us of our ſins, ſo carefully to reform our errors, ſo diligently to watch over all our actions, ſo induſtriouſly to do all our duty, that we may never tranſgreſs Thy holy laws willingly; but that it may be the work of our lives to obey Thee, the joy of our ſouls to pleaſe Thee, the ſatisfaction of all our hopes, and the perfection of our deſires, to live with Thee in the holineſs of Thy kingdom of grace and glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For one who has too long delayed Repentance.

Spinckes.

O BLESSED and Holy LORD GOD, Who wouldeſt not that any ſhould periſh, but that all ſhould come to repentance; be merciful to me, a guilty ſinner,

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and earneſtly deſirous both of Thy pardon and grace to walk more holily for the future. It is much too long that I have deferred my repentance and reformation; but by Thy bleſſing and aſſiſtance, I am fully reſolved to delay it no longer: help me to put theſe good reſolutions in practice, renouncing all my moſt beloved ſins, and earneſtly endeavouring to be upright and unblameable in all manner of converſation; that to-day, whilſt it is called to-day, I may hear Thy voice, and never more dare to harden my heart againſt it. I know not what a day may bring forth, and, for this reaſon, am not willing to truſt to to-morrow, when poſſibly it may be too late for me to think of repenting to ſalvation. Turn Thou me, good LORD, and ſo ſhall I be turned; but do it, I beſeech Thee, immediately, and out of hand: turn me from all mine iniquities, and make me to ſerve Thee acceptably, with reverence and godly fear. Make me heartily aſhamed of my undutifulneſs and diſobedience hitherto, that I ſhould dare to offend ſo good and gracious

a God, and ſtir up my heart to ſerve Thee faithfully for the future: that, denying all ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, I may live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godly, in this preſent world. Looſe me from all the bonds of my ſins, and conduct me to everlaſting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Pardon.

Bp. Ken.

O THOU Father of mercies, and God of all conſolation, be merciful to me a miſerable ſinner.

Lord, remember all Thy gracious calls of ſinners to repentance, all Thy proteſtations, that Thou delighteſt not in the death of him that dies, and that Thou wouldeſt have all to be ſaved.

Lord, remember all the exceeding great and precious promiſes, which Thou haſt made to penitent ſinners.

Lord, remember that Thy mercy is *over all Thy* works, that in mercy Thou *delighteſt, and* that all the holy Angels

ſeeing Thee well pleaſed in the exerciſe of that mercy, rejoice at the converſion of a ſinner; that the greater my ſins are, the more will that mercy be magnified in my forgiveneſs.

LORD, remember, that Thou didſt ſo love the world, as to give Thy only beloved SON a ranſom for it.

O Heavenly FATHER, Thou That ſparedſt not Thy only SON, but deliveredſt Him for us, wilt Thou not with Him alſo freely give us all things, and if all things, wilt Thou not alſo give us the pardon of our ſins?

O my GOD, I firmly believe Thou wilt; on that ranſom my SAVIOUR hath paid for me, and on all Thy gracious promiſes of pardon, which for His ſake Thou haſt made to me, I wholly rely; here only is the ſure and ſtedfaſt anchor of my ſoul, to which my faith and hope ſhall for ever adhere.

All this, LORD, do I plead, to implore Thy forgiveneſs.

Behold, LORD, though my failings are *many*, yet to the utmoſt of my power, I

have confeſſed, and bewailed, and forſaken my tranſgreſſions. Behold, LORD, I come at Thy call, and I come weary and heavy laden with the burden of my ſins, be it unto me according to Thy Word. O Thou That art faithful and juſt, forgive me my ſins, and cleanſe me from all unrighteouſneſs. LORD, do Thou in no wiſe caſt me from Thee, but heal my backſlidings, and love me freely, eaſe me of my burden, that I may find reſt in Thee, and ſay unto my ſoul, Be of good cheer, thy ſins are forgiven thee.

O Heavenly FATHER, for Thine own infinite mercies' ſake, for Thy truth and promiſes' ſake, for all the merits and ſufferings of the SON of Thy love, in Whom Thou art always well-pleaſed, pardon all my ſins and failings, and receive me into Thy favour. *Amen*, O LORD GOD, *Amen*, *Amen*.

Acts

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Humiliation, Contrition,

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Deprecation.

"To this man will I look, even t
that is poor and of a contrite spiri
trembleth at My Word."—Isaiah lxvi.

"Come unto Me, all ye that labou
are heavy laden, and I will give you
Take My yoke upon you, and learn o
for I am meek and lowly in heart: a
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"For My yoke is easy, and My bur
light."—S. Matthew xi. 28, 29, 30.

ACTS

OF

HUMILIATION, CONTRITION, AND DEPRECATION.

An Act of Contrition for a Young Person.

Bp. Ken.

MISERABLE wretch that I am, that I ſhould begin ſo early to offend my Creator, and ſin ſo much in ſo ſhort a time!

LORD, I fear I never yet thoroughly conſidered how evil, and how bitter a thing it is to depart from Thee: O make me every day more and more ſenſible of the error of my ways, and of my own infinite vileneſs! Miſerable wretch that I am, that ever I ſhould commit thoſe ſins, *which* expoſe me to all the vials of *Thy wrath*, to all the curſes of Thy law,

ıll Thy judgments temporal or ſpi-
ıl, in this life, and to all the horrors
deſpair, and torments of the damned
:he life to come! Miſerable wretch
I am, that ever I ſhould tranſgreſs
law of Thine, O God, which is ſo
and holy, and good, and perfect, and
ondeſcending to my infirmities; and
ceeping of which there are ſo great,
nconceivable rewards! O that, with
y Magdalen, I could weep much and
much, having ſo much to be for-
n.[1] O gracious Lord, look on me,
'hou didſt on Peter, and let Thy com-
onate look ſo pierce my heart, that
ay weep bitterly for my ſins![2] O
D God, break this hard heart, for
ɔu only canſt do it, and melt it into
ɜ of contrition! Miſerable wretch
I am, that I ſhould ſin ſo much, and
grieve ſo little! Woe is me, miſer-
wretch, woe is me, that ever I
ıld offend ſo indulgent, ſo liberal, ſo
ler a Father! Woe is me, that ever
ıould repay the infinite love, and the

S. Luke vii. 38. [2] S. Luke xxii. 61.

intolerable ſufferings of my SAVIOUR for me, with nothing but thoſe ſins which occaſioned thoſe very ſufferings. Woe is me, that ever I ſhould grieve the HOLY SPIRIT, by rejecting of many of His good motions, from Whom only I derive grace and conſolation? O LORD GOD, every ſlight worldly trouble is apt to draw back plenty of tears from mine eyes, but when I would weep for my ſins, which are the greateſt calamities that can poſſibly befal me, either my eyes are dry, or my tears too few, to bewail ſo many provocations!

O Bleſſed SPIRIT, inſtil true penitent ſorrow into my ſoul, make my head waters, and my eyes fountains of tears, or do Thou ſupply the want of them with ſighs and groans unutterable! But alas, I know all the tears I can poſſibly ſhed, can never waſh away the leaſt of my ſins; it is Thy Blood, only, LORD, that can do it!

O Bleſſed SAVIOUR, how can I ever ſufficiently lament the guilt of my ſins, which was ſo great, that nothing but Thy own ineſtimable Blood could expiate! O Heavenly FATHER, in the defect of my

ırs, I offer Thee the Blood of Thy
:ll-beloved Son: for His ſake have
upon me. *Amen, Amen.*

An Act of Contrition.

Bp. J. Taylor.

)ST Holy and Eternal God, I am
not worthy to be called Thy ſer-
much leſs am I worthy to be Thy
ır I am the vileſt of ſinners and the
f men; a lover of the things of the
and a deſpiſer of the things of God;
ınd envious, luſtful and intemperate,
of ſin, and impatient of reproof;
ı to ſeem holy, and negligent of
o; tranſported with intereſt; fooled
ɔreſumption and falſe principles;
:d with anger, with a peeviſh and
ified ſpirit, and diſordered by a
body of ſin and death. Lord,
all my ſins for my ſweeteſt Sa-
ı ſake: Thou, Who didſt die for
ɔly Jesus, ſave and deliver me: re-
ot my ſins to be puniſhed in the
wrath and eternal vengeance; but

wash away my sins, and blot them out of Thy remembrance, and purify my soul with the waters of repentance, and the blood of the cross; that, for what is past, Thy wrath may not come out against me; and, for the time to come, I may never provoke Thee to anger or to jealousy. O just and dear God, be pitiful and gracious to Thy servant. *Amen.*

An Act of Contrition for Relapse into Sin.

Bp. Cosin.

ALMIGHTY and most Merciful Father, Who for my many and grievous sins, those especially which I have committed against Thee, since the last solemn time of my humiliation and repentance, mightest most justly have cut me off in the midst of my days; but in the multitude of Thy mercies hast hitherto spared me; accept, I most heartily beseech Thee, my unfeigned sorrow for all my former transgressions, and grant that I may never so presume on Thy mercy, as to despise the riches of Thy goodness, but

forbearance and long-ſuffering me to repentance, and amend- ny ſinful life, to Thy honour and my final acquittance and at the laſt day, through JESUS r LORD. *Amen.*

On Relapsing into Sin.

Abp. Laud.

ERCIFUL GOD, Thou haſt wed me much mercy, and done s for me; and as I was return- d of thankfulneſs, I wandered way from Thee, into a foul ge path. There Thou madeſt th my folly and my weakneſs; e me ever ſee them, ever ſorry O LORD, for my SAVIOUR'S e me the folly, and ſtrengthen the weakneſs for ever. LORD, my ſins, and this; and make y grace Thy moſt true, humble, l ſervant all the days of my life; SUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Upon a Relapse into Sin.

Spinckes.

O LORD God Almighty, Just and true, Thou only Sovereign of the world, on Whom is all my dependence, and from Whom is all my hope and expectation; I am ashamed, and blush to appear before Thee, seeing I have of late so highly offended Thy Divine Majesty. I know not how to lift up mine eyes unto Heaven; but am forced with the humble publican, to smite upon my breast, and call upon Thee to have mercy upon me a sinner. I have sinned against Thee from time to time, and aggravated my sins with many heinous and dreadful circumstances, thereby to render them so much the more provoking; and though I have resolved and promised, and vowed an amendment, yet have I again broken my faith, and relapsed into my former guilt, and thereby cut myself off from all right to Thy promises. And what can I now plead for *myself?* From the bar of Thy justice, I *fly to the* throne of Thy mercy, beseech-

to be favourable unto me, be-
ou delightest in mercy; and not
: miserable, though I have taken
road to misery, though I have per-
y ways, and run upon destruction
ıe eyes open. And though I can-
have quite forgotten Thee, my
t I must acknowledge, to my
ıd sorrow, that I have offended
ost heinously, by sinning against
hen I knew myself in Thy Pre-
ıd when I was fully convinced
and bitter a thing sin is, how ex-
lispleasing to Thee, and of what
ıs consequence to myself. My
:e accuses me, my heart condemns
Thou, Who art greater than my
d knowest all things, mayest justly
ne ears, when I cry unto Thee
guish of my soul. I have sinned
leaven, and before Thee, and am
worthy to be called Thy son:
inned against the light of Thy
and Thine infinite love to me;
he terrors of Thy threatenings,
ıs of Thy mercy, the rebukes of

Thy SPIRIT, and the checks of my own conſcience, and my ſolemneſt vows and engagements. Yet is not my ſin too great for Thee to pardon, or remove from me, that I never more repeat it; if Thou wilt, Thou canſt make me whole again: and the more my wickedneſs has abounded, the more therefore let Thy grace and good will abound. Abſolve me from the guilt, deliver me from the power, cleanſe me from the pollution, ſave me from the puniſhment, of this, and all other my offences; reconcile me to Thyſelf here, and crown me with immortal glory hereafter; through JESUS CHRIST Thy SON, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

An Act of Deprecation.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O LORD our GOD, Whoſe power is infinite, Whoſe Glory is ſupreme, Whoſe Mercy is without meaſure, Whoſe Goodneſs is unſpeakable; deſpiſe not Thy returning ſervant, who earneſtly begs for *pardon* and to be reconciled to Thee:

ſanctify, O God, my body and ſoul, ſearch out my ſpirit, and caſt out all iniquity from within me; all weak principles and falſe arguings, every impure luſt and filthy deſire, all pride and envy, all hypocriſy and lying, all inordinate love of this world and baſe covetouſneſs, all hardneſs of heart and unrelenting diſpoſitions, all peeviſhneſs and haſty anger, all mindfulneſs of injuries and revengefulneſs, all blaſphemy and irreligion; and every motion of ſoul and body, which can withdraw me from Thee, and is againſt Thy will and commandment.

Gracious Father, give me perfect pardon for what is paſt, and a perfect repentance of all my ſins, that for the time to come I may, with a pure ſpirit, with a broken and contrite heart, with ſanctified lips and holy deſires, ſerve Thee religiouſly; walk humbly with my God; converſe juſtly and charitably with men; and poſſeſs my ſoul in patience and holineſs, and my body in ſanctification and honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

An Act of Deprecation.

King Edward VI.'s Primer.

OH bountiful JESU, Oh ſweet SAVIOUR, Oh CHRIST the SON of GOD, have pity upon me, mercifully hear me, and deſpiſe not my prayers. Thou haſt created me of nothing; Thou haſt redeemed me from the bondage of ſin, death, and hell, neither with gold or ſilver, but with Thy moſt precious Body once offered upon the croſs, and Thine own Blood ſhed once for all, for my ranſom; therefore caſt me not away, whom Thou by Thy great wiſdom haſt made; deſpiſe me not whom Thou haſt redeemed with ſuch a precious treaſure: nor let my wickedneſs deſtroy that which Thy goodneſs hath builded. Now whilſt I live, O JESU, have mercy on me, or if I die out of Thy favour, it will be oo late afterward to call for Thy mercy; hilſt I have time to repent, look upon e with Thy merciful eyes, as Thou didſt uchſafe to look upon Peter Thine Apoſ-; *that I* may bewail my ſinful life, and *in Thy* favour, and die therein.

acknowledge that if Thou ſhouldeſt deal with me according to ſtrict juſtice, I have deſerved everlaſting death. Therefore I appeal to Thy high throne of mercy, truſting to obtain God's favour, not for my merits, but for Thy merits, O Jesu, Who haſt given Thyſelf an acceptable ſacrifice to Thy Father; to appeaſe His wrath, and to bring all ſinners truly repenting, and amending their evil life, into His favour again. Accept me, O Lord, among the number of them that ſhall be ſaved; forgive my ſins: give me grace to lead an innocent and godly life; grant me Thy heavenly wiſdom, inſpire my heart with faith, hope, and charity; give me grace to be humble in proſperity, patient in adverſity, obedient unto my rulers, faithful unto them that truſt me, dealing truly with all men; to live chaſtely, to abhor adultery, fornication, and all uncleanneſs; to do good after my power unto all men; that Thy Name may be glorified in me, during this preſent life, and that I afterward may obtain everlaſting life, through Thy mercy and the merits of Thy Paſſion. *Amen.*

For Mercy in the Hour of Death.

Bp. Wilson.

O BLESSED JESU, Who hadſt compaſſion on the thief, even at the ur of death, have mercy upon me, ho now repent of all my miſdoings. iffer not the gates of Paradiſe to be ſhut ainſt me when I die, Thou that haſt ened the kingdom of heaven to all be-vers.

Reſtore my ſoul at the great day to e eternal.

Give me the patience of Job, the faith Abraham, the courage of Peter, and e comfort of Paul, and a true ſubmiſſion Thy will.

Apply to my ſoul all the wholeſome edicines of Thy Paſſion, death, and re-rrection, againſt the powers of Satan, ainſt all unreaſonable fears and deſpair, d eaſe my fearful conſcience.

Hear the prayers of Thy Church for e, and for all in my condition, for Thine *n merits'* and mercies' ſake. Amen.

Against Pestilence.

Abp. Laud.

DELIVER me, O LORD, from all my offences, and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish. Take, I humbly beseech Thee, Thy plague away from Thy people, for we begin to be consumed by means of Thy heavy hand. And for JESUS CHRIST His sake, lay neither me nor mine under this uncomfortable disease. *Amen.*

O LORD, deliver me from the snare of the hunter, and from the noisome pestilence; O defend me under Thy wings, and keep me safe under Thy feathers, that I may not be afraid for any terror by night, nor for the arrow that flieth by day; for the pestilence that walketh in the darkness, nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day. Though thousands fall beside me, and ten thousands at my right hand, yet let it not come near *me, even for* JESUS CHRIST His sake. *Amen.*

O LORD, *Thou art* my hope, I beseech

Thee let no evil happen unto me, neither let any plague come nigh my dwelling; but give Thine Angels charge over me to keep me in all my ways, O LORD, my ſtrength and my Redeemer. *Amen.*

O let the ſorrowful ſighing of them whom Thou haſt viſited come before Thee; and according to the greatneſs both of Thy power and mercy, preſerve Thou them that are appointed to die, even for JESUS CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

In the time of Famine.

Abp. Laud.

O GOD, Heavenly FATHER, Who, by Thy SON JESUS CHRIST, haſt promiſed to all them who ſeek Thy kingdom, and the righteouſneſs thereof, all things neceſſary for their bodily ſuſtenance, mercifully behold the afflictions of Thy people, graciouſly pardon our ſins, and remove Thy judgments. O viſit the earth and prepare corn for the inhabitants thereof; crown the year with Thy goodneſs, and let Thy clouds drop fatneſs, that we may

in due time enjoy the kindly fruits of the earth, and not be confounded in thefe perilous times; but in the days of dearth have enough, and with charitable hearts and hands relieve the neceffities of Thy poor and diftreffed children. Grant this, O LORD, for the riches of Thy goodnefs in JESUS CHRIST our SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

In Danger of Enemies.

Abp. Laud.

O MOST gracious GOD and loving FATHER, we have felt Thy manifold mercies, no nation more; and we have committed fins againft Thee; few nations greater. Enter not into judgment with us, O LORD, but for CHRIST and His mercy's fake, pacify Thine anger, and fave us from the malice and cruelty of our enemies. They are our crying fins that have called them upon us. Let it be an addition to Thy wonted mercy, to reftrain their fury. For this end, LORD, put Thy bridle into their mouths, and Thy bit between their teeth. Fruftrate their de-

ſigns, and let them find no way in our ſeas, nor any path in our floods; but ſcatter them with Thy tempeſt, and follow them with all Thy ſtorms; that we being delivered by Thy hand, may bleſs and honour Thy Name, devoutly ſerving Thee all our days, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

In Times of Perſecution.

Dr. Hickes.

GRANT, O LORD, Who art the ſtrength of all that put their truſt in Thee, that Thy grace may ſuſtain me againſt being ſhaken from Thy faith and worſhip, by the dread of men, or rage of devils: ſupport me under the preſent perſecution, and preſerve me in the ſtricteſt obedience to all Thy commandments. Let no temptations prevail on me to betray Thy truth, or forſake Thy afflicted Church; but give me grace to glory in the Croſs of CHRIST, and cheerfully to *follow* the Captain of our ſalvation, Who *was* made perfect through ſufferings. Let

me not faint, or be diſcouraged, at the outward proſperity of our perſecutors; but give me grace to pity, and pray for them, and to return them good for evil. To Thy perſecuted truth, and thoſe faithful miniſters who undauntedly profeſs it, let me conſtantly adhere; their holy offices let me daily attend, their doctrine and example patiently obſerve and follow; that, with them, I may through many tribulations and perſecutions, enter into the kingdom of heaven, through the merits of JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

In a Storm of Thunder, Lightning, &c.

New Manual.

O GREAT and Glorious GOD, Who ſendeſt forth Thy commandment upon earth, and Whoſe Word runneth very ſwiftly, how wonderful art Thou in Thy works, how terrible in Thy doings towards the children of men! Thou, That makeſt the thunder, and cauſeſt the vapours to aſcend from the ends of the earth, making lightnings for the rain, and

bringing the winds out of Thy treaſures, —fire and hail, ſnow and vapours, wind and ſtorms, fulfil Thy Word. Thy voice, O LORD, is a glorious voice, but frail and ſinful men cannot hear it without trembling, and fear. Be Thou, O LORD, our Protector in all danger, and preſerve us from the terrors of the ſtorm. O let it not be a meſſenger of Thy wrath, but rather let it miniſter in Thy mercy to the refreſhment of the air, and the fruitfulneſs of the earth.

We know, O LORD, that Thy judgments are juſt, and that we for our ſins do worthily deſerve to be puniſhed, for we have broken Thy covenant and neglected Thy commandment; but, O LORD, we are heartily ſorry for our miſdoings, and earneſtly deſire to repent and turn unto Thee. Thy voice, O LORD, is a glorious voice; when Thou ſpeakeſt, O let not man be inattentive, but let us all awaken from carnal ſecurity, and ariſe from the ſleep of ſin and death. Let not the ſalutary impreſſions we now feel of Thy power, and glory, and goodneſs wear away, but make

em to ſink deep into our hearts, and by e operation of Thy HOLY SPIRIT effec- ally to work in us ſuch a fear and love Thee that we, loving Thee above all ings may above all things fear to offend hee, ſo that in the great and terrible day, hen the elements ſhall melt with fervent at, we may, through the merits of the ll, perfect, and ſufficient ſatisfaction made on the croſs for all our ſins, mercifully pardoned, and for our Bleſſed SAVIOUR's ke graciouſly accepted. *Amen, Amen.*

Deprecation of a Particular Evil.

New Manual.

O GOD, our refuge and ſtrength, Who art a preſent help in trouble, ok with pity upon me, I moſt humbly eſeech Thee. Thou doſt not afflict will- gly, nor grieve the children of men; to hee, therefore, O my GOD, do I direct y ſupplication, and look up. I know, LORD, that Thy judgments are right, d *that* Thou of very faithfulneſs doſt *ſe us to be* troubled; upon Thee, there-

fore, and the multitude of Thy mercies in CHRIST JESUS, my LORD, do I reſt all my hopes and all my fears. O let it be Thy good pleaſure, Bleſſed LORD, I humbly and earneſtly pray Thee, to turn from me the evils moſt juſtly due unto my ſins: nevertheleſs, not as I will, but as Thou wilt: Thou, LORD, correcteſt in mercy, and for my profit; let Thy bleſſed will, therefore, be my choice and ſatisfaction; and in all the diſpenſations of Thy Providence give me the conſolations and ſupport of Thy HOLY SPIRIT; and if Thou rather ſeeſt fit to viſit me with the evil I ſo juſtly fear, grant me to feel and know that in improving Thy fatherly corrections to the gracious ends for which only they are ſent, theſe light afflictions which are but for a moment, ſhall work out for me a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, through the all-prevailing merits and mediation of my Bleſſed SAVIOUR and Redeemer, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

Prayers

for

Gifts, Graces, &c.

"ASK, AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN YOU; SEEK, AND YE SHALL FIND; KNOCK, AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU:

"FOR EVERY ONE THAT ASKETH RECEIVETH; AND HE THAT SEEKETH FINDETH; AND TO HIM THAT KNOCKETH IT SHALL BE OPENED.

"OR WHAT MAN IS THERE OF YOU, WHOM IF HIS SON ASK BREAD, WILL HE GIVE HIM A STONE?

"OR IF HE ASK A FISH, WILL HE GIVE HIM A SERPENT?

"IF YE THEN, BEING EVIL, KNOW HOW TO GIVE GOOD GIFTS UNTO YOUR CHILDREN, HOW MUCH MORE SHALL YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN, GIVE GOOD THINGS TO THEM THAT ASK HIM?"—S. MATTHEW VII. 7—11.

PRAYERS FOR GIFTS, GRACES,

ETC.

At Waking.

Lake.

AT the Name of JESUS, GOD Bleſſed for ever, let every knee bow, both of things in Heaven, things in earth, and things under the earth; glory be to Thee, O LORD Moſt High.

GOD be in my head, and in my underſtanding, that I may know in this my day, the things which do concern my everlaſting life.

GOD be in my eyes, and in my ſeeing, that they may be always looking up to Thy Mercy-ſeat, and that they be not as *ſo many* caſements to let in vanity.

God be in my mouth, and in my ſpeaking, to guard and fence it from idle words, and that it may at no time be a door to let in folly.

God be in my ears, and in my hearing, that they may be always open to ſound and wholeſome counſels, and deaf to corrupt and filthy communications.

God be in my heart, and in my thinking, to preſerve it from being a ſink of uncleanneſs, and that it may never be ſuffered either to flatter me or deceive others.

God be at my end, and at my departing, that ſo my death may be precious in the ſight of the Lord, with Whom I pray that I may live for evermore. *Amen.*

For the Morning.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY Father, great God of all the world, Who dwelleſt in the light to which no man can approach; in Thy Preſence there is no night, in the light of Thy Countenance there is perpetual day; I, Thy ſervant, whom Thou

haſt preſerved this night, who bleſs and glorify Thee this day, who live by Thy Power, who deſire to walk by Thy Laws, to be bleſſed by Thy Providence, to be defended by Thy Almighty Hand, humbly pray unto Thee, that this day, and all the days of my life, may be holy and peaceable: ſend Thy HOLY SPIRIT, the Spirit of peace, to be the guide of my way, the guard of my ſoul and body. Grant that all the chances and accidents of this day may be healthful to my body and profitable to my ſoul; and that I may ſpend the remaining portion of my life in bleſſing, and peace, and holineſs. Make Thou the latter end of my days to be Chriſtian, without ſhame, and without torment; and when I ſhall appear before Thy dreadful ſeat of judgment, grant that I may not be confounded, but may ſtand upright in the congregation of the Saints, acquitted by the death of CHRIST, juſtified by His Reſurrection, pardoned by His Sentence, ſaved by His Mercy, that I may rejoice in His Salvation, and ſing Thy praiſes for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Morning.

Lake.

GLORY be to God on high, on earth peace, good will towards men. I praiſe Thee; I bleſs Thee; I worſhip Thee; I glorify Thee; I give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory and goodneſs, O Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty: for Thy Son, Jesus Christ, manifeſted in the fleſh, to deſtroy the works of the devil; and Who is the Fountain of all thoſe mercies, both ſpiritual and temporal, ſo freely and plentifully beſtowed on me, Thy moſt unworthy creature, from time to time; particularly, that Thou haſt protected me this laſt night from all perils ghoſtly and bodily, and brought me to ſee the light of another day, whereas Thou mighteſt juſtly have ſuffered me to ſleep in death by reaſon of thoſe manifold and heinous ſins wherewith I have from time to time offended Thy Divine Majeſty. I have ſinned! and *what* ſhall I ſay unto Thee, Thou Pre*ſerver of man?* I have left undone thoſe

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to pleaſe Thee hereafter in all things,
deny ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, a
to live godly, righteouſly, and ſoberly
this preſent world, that ſo at laſt I m
come to Thine eternal joy, through t
ſame JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Morning.

Bp. Andrewes.

GLORY be to Thee, O LORD, glory be to Thee, glory to Thee Who haſt given me ſleep to refreſh my weakneſs, and to alleviate the labours of this fragile fleſh.

That this day, and every day, we may paſs in the perfecting of holineſs, in peace, health, and innocence,

Grant us, O LORD.

That the Angel of peace, our faithful guide, the guardian of our ſouls and bodies, may encamp round about us and continually ſuggeſt what is needful for our ſalvation,

Grant us, O LORD.

The pardon and remiſſion of all our ſins and all our tranſgreſſions,

Grant us, O LORD.

To our ſouls what is good and profitable, and to the world peace,

Grant us, O LORD.

That we may accompliſh the remainder of our lives in penitence and godly fear, *in health* of body and peace of mind,

Grant us, O LORD.

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things are honeſt, whatſoever t
juſt, whatſoever things are pure,
ever things are lovely, whatſoeve
are of good report; if there be
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may think on theſe things and do t.

Grant us, O LORD.

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count of ourſelves before the dread
terrible tribunal of our LORD JESUS CHRI

Grant us, O LORD.

Prayer for the Morning.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the GOD of mercy and comfort, with reverence and fear, with humble confidence and ſtrong deſires, I approach to the Throne of Grace, begging of Thee mercy and protection, pardon and ſalvation. O my *GOD, I am a ſinner*, but ſorrowful and

repenting: Thou art juſtly offended at me, but yet Thou art my LORD and my FATHER, merciful and gracious. Be pleaſed to blot all my ſins out of Thy remembrance, and heal my ſoul, that I may never more ſin againſt Thee. LORD, open my eyes, that I may ſee my own infirmities, and watch againſt them; and my own follies, that I may amend them: and be pleaſed to give me perfect underſtanding in the way of godlineſs, that I may walk in it all the days of my pilgrimage. Give me a ſpirit diligent in the works of my calling, cheerful and zealous in religion, fervent and frequent in my prayers, charitable and uſeful in my converſation; give me a healthful and a chaſte body, a pure and a holy ſoul, a ſanctified and an humble ſpirit; and let my body, and ſoul, and ſpirit, be preſerved unblameable to the coming of the LORD JESUS. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Morning.

King Edward's Primer.

O MERCIFUL LORD GOD, Heavenly FATHER, I render most high laud, praise, and thanks, unto Thee, that Thou hast preserved me both at this night, and all the time and days of my life hitherto, under Thy protection: and hast suffered me to live until this present hour: and I beseech Thee heartily, Thou wilt vouchsafe to receive me this day, and the residue of my whole life from henceforth, unto Thy tuition; ruling and governing me with Thy HOLY SPIRIT, that all manner of darkness, of misbelief, infidelity, and carnal lusts and affections may be utterly chased, and driven out of my heart; and that I may be justified and saved, both body and soul, through a right and perfect faith; and so walk in the light of Thy most godly truth, to Thy glory and praise, and to the profit and advancement of my neighbour, through JESUS CHRIST our *LORD* and SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

For the Morning.

Bp. J. Taylor.

MOST Holy and Eternal God, Lord and Sovereign of all the creatures, I humbly preſent to Thy Divine Majeſty, myſelf, my ſoul and body, my thoughts and my words, my actions and intentions, my paſſions and my ſufferings, to be diſpoſed by Thee to Thy glory; to be bleſſed by Thy providence; to be guided by Thy Counſel; to be ſanctified by Thy Spirit; and, afterwards, that my body and ſoul may be received into glory: for nothing can periſh which is under Thy cuſtody: and the enemy of ſouls cannot devour what is Thy portion, nor take it out of Thy hands. This day, O Lord, and all the days of my life, I dedicate to Thy honour, and the actions of my calling, to the uſes of grace, and the religion of all my days to be united to the merits and interceſſion of my Holy Saviour, Jesus; that in Him, and for Him, I may *be pardoned* and accepted. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for the Mercies of the Day Past; and Prayer for Pardon, Grace, and Protection during the Night.

Hele.

BLESSED be Thy holy Name, O LORD, my GOD, for Thy gracious protection and preservation of me the day past; for defending me from innumerable evils to which I have been exposed; and for continuing to me the comforts of this life, and the hope of life everlasting.

O Heavenly FATHER! forgive, I humbly beseech Thee, for JESUS CHRIST's sake, whatsoever Thou hast seen amiss in me this day, in my thoughts, words, or actions; and assist me with Thy HOLY SPIRIT in making it henceforward my sincere endeavour to resist and conquer every evil inclination within me, and every temptation from without.

That which I know not, teach Thou me: instruct me in all the particulars of my duty, both towards Thee, and towards men; and give me grace always to think and to do those things that are

good, and well-pleaſing in Thy ſight, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD.

And now, O LORD, I go to my bed, as to my grave; and know not but that I may awake in another world: but whether I live or die, I commend myſelf to Thy mercy and goodneſs. O Thou Keeper of Iſrael, That neither ſlumbereſt nor ſleepeſt, be graciouſly pleaſed to watch over me this night. Keep me by Thy grace from all works of darkneſs; and defend me by Thy power from all dangers. Grant me comfortable and refreſhing ſleep, ſuch as may fit me for the duties of the day following. And, LORD, make me ever mindful of that time when I ſhall lie down in the duſt: and becauſe I know neither the day, nor the hour of my Maſter's coming, grant me grace that I may be always ready; that I may never live in ſuch a ſtate as I ſhall fear to die in; but that whether I live, I may live unto the LORD; or whether I die, I may die unto the LORD; ſo that living or dying I may be Thine, *through JESUS* CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Evening.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ETERNAL GOD, Almighty FATHER of men and Angels, by Whose Care and Providence I am preserved and blessed, comforted, and assisted, I humbly beg of Thee to pardon the sins and follies of this day, the weakness of my services, and the strength of my passions, the rashness of my words, and the vanity and evil of my actions, O Just and Holy GOD, how long shall I confess my sins, and pray against them, and yet fall under them! O let it be so no more; let me never return to the follies of which I am ashamed, which bring sorrow and death, and Thy displeasure worse than death. Give me a command over my evil inclinations, and a perfect hatred of sin, and a love to Thee above all the desires of this world. Be pleased to bless and preserve me this night from all sin, and all violence of chance, and the malice of the spirits of darkness: *watch over* me in my sleep; and whether *I sleep or* wake, let me be Thy servant.

Be Thou first and last in all my thoughts, and the guide and continual assistance of all my actions. Preserve my body, pardon the sin of my soul, and sanctify my spirit; let me always live holily, and justly, and soberly; and, when I die, receive my soul into Thy hands, O Holy and ever-blessed JESUS; that I may lie in Thy bosom, and long for Thy coming, and hear Thy blessed sentence at Doomsday, and behold Thy Face, and live in Thy Kingdom, singing praises to GOD for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For the Evening.

Lake.

ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER of all mercies, I Thine unworthy servant do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving-kindness bestowed on me. Above all, for the redemption of the world by our LORD JESUS CHRIST; in Him, for the means of *grace, and for* the hope of glory; for all *the blessings* of this life; for Thy creat-

ing, and for Thy protection of me all my days; and particularly, that this day paſt Thou haſt preſerved me in my health, and aſſiſted me in my devotions. (Or proſpered me in my affairs.) Give me, I beſeech Thee, a due ſenſe of theſe Thy mercies, and grace and power to expreſs it by an obedience to all Thy commandments. Go on to preſerve, and take me into Thy protection this night: lighten my darkneſs, O LORD, and by Thy great mercy defend me from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of Thy only SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Evening.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY FATHER, Who giveſt the ſun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the ſtars for a light by night, vouchſafe to receive me, this night and ever, into Thy favour and protection, defending me from all ſad caſualties and evil accidents, ruling and *governing* me with Thy HOLY SPIRIT, that

l darkneſs and hurtful ignorance, all in-
lelity and weakneſs of heart, all inordi-
ıte fear and carnal affections, may be re-
oved far from me; that I, being juſtified
/ the mercies of God in our Lord Jesus,
ay be ſanctified by Thy Spirit, and glo-
ſied by Thy infinite mercies in the day
the glorious appearing of our Lord and
ıviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Evening.

Bp. J. Taylor.

VISIT, I beſeech Thee, O Lord, this habitation with Thy mercy, and
e with Thy grace and ſalvation. Let
hy Holy Angels pitch their tents round
ıout and dwell here, that no illuſion of
e night may abuſe me, the ſpirits of
rkneſs may not come near to hurt me,
ı evil or ſad accident oppreſs me; and
: the eternal Spirit of the Father dwell
my ſoul and body, filling every corner
my heart with light and grace. Let
ı *deed of* darkneſs overtake me; and let
y bleſſing, moſt bleſſed God, be upon

me for ever, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Evening.

King Edward's Primer.

O MERCIFUL LORD GOD, Heavenly FATHER, whether we ſleep or wake, live or die, we are always Thine. Wherefore I beſeech Thee heartily, that Thou wilt vouchſafe to take care and charge of me, and not ſuffer me to periſh in the works of darkneſs; but to kindle the light of Thy countenance in my heart; that Thy godly knowledge may daily increaſe in me, through a right and pure faith; and that I may always be found to walk and live after Thy will and pleaſure, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD and SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

Evening Prayer.

Bp. Coſin.

O LORD, our Heavenly FATHER, Almighty and Everliving GOD, by *Whoſe* Providence both the day and the

night are governed, vouchſafe, I beſeech Thee, as Thou haſt this day preſerved me by Thy goodneſs, ſo ſtill this night to ſhadow me under the bleſſed wing of Thy moſt mighty protection, and to cover me with Thy heavenly mercy, that neither the princes of darkneſs may have any power over me, nor the works of darkneſs overwhelm me; but that I being armed with Thy defence, may be preſerved from all adverſities that may hurt the body, and from all wicked thoughts which may aſſault and defile the ſoul, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Evening.

Bp. Coſin.

MERCIFUL LORD, Who of Thine abundant goodneſs towards us, haſt made the day to travel in, and ordained the night wherein to take our reſt: grant me ſuch reſt of body, that I may continually have a waking ſoul, to watch *for the time when our* LORD ſhall appear *to deliver us from this* mortal life. Let

no vain or wandering fancy trouble me: let my ghoſtly enemies have no power over me, but let my mind be ſet wholly upon Thy Preſence, to love, and fear, and reſt in Thee alone: that being refreſhed with a moderate and ſober ſleep, I may riſe up again with cheerful ſtrength and gladneſs, to ſerve Thee in all good works, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Grace and Protection during Sleep.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, give me that grace that I may remember Thee upon my bed, and think upon Thee when I am waking. Thou haſt been my helper; therefore under the ſhadow of Thy wings I will hope to paſs through the darkneſs of this night, in the comfort of JESUS CHRIST, my LORD and only SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

For the Gifts of Grace.

Bp. Coſin.

ALMIGHTY GOD, the Fountain of all goodneſs, and the well-ſpring

Divine graces, Who haſt vouchſafed to regenerate me, being born in ſin, by water and the HOLY GHOST in the bleſſed laver of Baptiſm, thereby receiving me into the number of Thy children, and making me an heir of everlaſting life, in the communion of Thy glorious Saints: ſtrengthen me, I beſeech Thee, O LORD, with that bleſſed Spirit of Thine, the Ghoſtly Comforter, and daily increaſe in me Thy manifold gifts of grace, the ſpirit of wiſdom and underſtanding, the ſpirit of counſel and ghoſtly ſtrength, the ſpirit of knowledge and true godlineſs, and fulfil me, O LORD, with the ſpirit of Thy holy fear, even through Him Who hath ſent down the Spirit upon His Church, JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Petition for Grace in General.

Bp. Ken.

O LORD GOD, I have ſworn, and I deſire to perform it, that I will *keep Thy righteous* judgments. But alas! *I am able of myſelf* to do nothing that i

good, not ſo much as to think one go
thought: and I no ſooner ſhall riſe fro
my knees, but I fear I ſhall be tempted
thoſe very ſins I have now ſo ſolemnly r
nounced, and thoſe temptations will ce
tainly overcome me, unleſs Thou, Lor
doſt ſeaſonably interpoſe Thy grace
withhold me. But I can do all thin
through Thee ſtrengthening me: do Th
then, O bleſſed Saviour, perfect Tl
ſtrength in my weakneſs, for in Thee on
is my truſt. O my God, Thou haſt pr
miſed to give Thy Holy Spirit to th
that aſk it. Behold, Lord, I do humbly,
do earneſtly aſk Thy Holy Spirit nc
of Thee; O fulfil Thy gracious prom
to me; O vouchſafe me that Holy Spir
I pray for, to purify my corrupt natu
to ſtrengthen my weakneſs, to comfort r
in troubles, to ſupport me in diſcourag
ments, to ſuccour me in temptations, a
to aſſiſt me in all parts of my duty, th
I may ever hereafter live in Thy fear, a
in conſtant, ſincere, and univerſal obe
ence to all Thy righteous laws. T
O Searcher of hearts, knoweſt the h

d a filial fear of Thee, a conſtant deſire
pleaſing Thee, and a great tenderneſs
offending Thee!—LORD, create in me
ɔenitent heart, a reſigned will, and mor-
ed affections, an habitual mindfulneſs of
ıy Preſence, and a ſteady devotion in
/ prayers, ſincere intentions, and zeal
· Thy glory, perſeverance in all holy
rpoſes, and conſtancy in all trials and
nptations. LORD, create in me a reve-
ıtial awe of Thy Name, a delight in
ıy ſervice, a ſecret regard to Thy day
d houſe of prayer, and a great attention
Thy Word; a daily care of my time,
d diligence in my ſtudies. LORD, make
: chaſte and temperate, humble and
lling to be adviſed, and patient of re-
ɔof; and create in me a cheerful and
:ek, a contented and conſiderate, a quiet
d peaceful ſpirit.

LORD, bleſs me with health and com-
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;, a retentive memory, and a ready ap-
:henſion; and with ſuch a meaſure of
poral good things, as Thou ſeeſt fit for
and give me grace to make a right uſe

of all those blessings I have already received. LORD, purify my thoughts, bridle my tongue, guide all my actions, guard all my senses, stop my ears, and turn away my eyes from sin and vanity. LORD, give me grace to be just in all my dealings, to do to all men as I would they should do to me, to be subject to my parents, and to all my superiors, to the Queen as supreme, and to all civil magistrates, to the Pastors of Thy Church, and to all Whom Thy Providence hath set over me: O grant that I may tender due honour and obedience to them all in their several stations. LORD, make me willing to forgive injuries, and unwilling to offer any; make me grateful to my benefactors, friendly to my equals, condescending to my inferiors, compassionate to the afflicted, charitable to the poor according to my ability, a lover of good men and kind to my enemies, and give me grace to keep always a conscience void of offence towards Thee, and towards men, and to continue in the Communion of the Church without wavering. O merciful GOD, keep Thy ser-

vant from all wilful, deliberate, or presumptuous sins, and let no wickedness have dominion over me. From stubbornness and pride, idleness and sloth, intemperance and youthful lusts, inconstancy and lying, good LORD, deliver me. From irreligious principles and false teachers, unruly passions and violent temptations, from contracting vicious habits or taking pleasure in sin, from profaneness and ill company, envy and malice, detraction and uncharitableness, good LORD, deliver me. From the errors and vices of the age, and all remanent affections to sin, from the sin (or sins) my corrupt nature is most inclined to [here name it or them]; from whatsoever is offensive to Thee, or destructive to my own soul, good LORD, deliver me. Hear me, O Heavenly FATHER, and conform my whole life to the example of my Blessed SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

A Short Petition for Good Gifts.

Abp. Laud.

GIVE unto me, O LORD, I humbly *beseech* Thee, a wise, a sober, a

patient underſtanding, a devout, a religious, a courageous heart; chaſte and temperate reins and thought; a ſoul full of devotion to do Thee ſervice, ſtrength againſt all temptations, eſpecially the temptations of — &c., through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Chriſtian Graces.

Bp. Coſin. (From the Primer.)

GRANT me, gracious LORD, a pure intention of my heart, and a ſtedfaſt regard to Thy glory in all my actions. Poſſeſs my mind continually with Thy preſence, and ſo fill it with Thy love, that my only deſire may be, to reſt in the arms of Thy protection.

Be Thou a light unto mine eyes, muſic to mine ears, ſweetneſs to my taſte, and a full contentment to my heart. Be Thou my ſunſhine in the day, my food at the table, my repoſe in the night, my clothing in nakedneſs, and my ſuccour in all neceſſities.

LORD JESU, I give Thee my body, my

ſoul, my ſubſtance, my fame, my friends, my liberty, and my life: diſpoſe of me, and of all that is mine, as it ſeemeth beſt to Thee, and to the glory of Thy bleſſed Name.

I am not now mine, but Thine. Therefore claim me as Thy right, keep me as Thy charge, and love me as Thy child. Fight for me when I am aſſaulted, heal me when I am wounded, and revive me when I am deſtroyed.

My LORD and my GOD, I beſeech Thee to give me patience in troubles, humility in comforts, conſtancy in temptations, and victory againſt all my ghoſtly enemies. Grant me ſorrow for my ſins, thankfulneſs for Thy benefits, fear of Thy judgments, love of Thy mercies, and mindfulneſs of Thy preſence for evermore.

Make me humble to my ſuperiors, and friendly to my equals; make me ready to pleaſure all, and loth to offend any: make me loving to my friends, and charitable to mine enemies.

Give me modeſty in my countenance, *gravity in my* behaviour, deliberation in

my ſpeech, holineſs in my thoughts, and righteouſneſs in all my actions. Let Thy mercy cleanſe me from my ſins, and let Thy grace bring forth in me the fruits of everlaſting life.

LORD, let me be obedient without arguing, humble without fawning, patient without grudging, pure without corruption, merry without lightneſs, ſad without miſtruſt, ſober without dulneſs, true without doubleneſs, fearing Thee without deſperation, and truſting Thee without preſumption.

Let me be joyful for nothing but that which pleaſeth Thee; nor ſorrowful for anything but that which doth diſpleaſe Thee. Let my labour be my delight, which is for Thee; and let all reſt weary me which is not in Thee.

Give me a waking ſpirit and a diligent ſoul, that I may ſeek to know Thy will; and when I know it truly, may perform it faithfully, to the honour and glory of Thy ever bleſſed Name. *Amen.*

Prayer for Grace to be Frequent in Prayer.

Hele.

ALMIGHTY and moſt merciful God; Who haſt been graciouſly pleaſed not only to permit, but to encourage, and even command us, who are but vile duſt and aſhes, to make our requeſts known unto Thee; and haſt promiſed by Thy Bleſſed Son, that whatſoever we aſk in His Name, we ſhall receive; aſſiſt me with Thy grace, ſo attentively to conſider the all-ſufficient goodneſs of Thy nature, and the miſerable indigency of mine own, that I may ſet a due value upon this ineſtimable privilege, and rejoice in every opportunity of worſhipping Thy glorious Majeſty, and preſenting my ſupplications at the throne of Thy Grace. Grant me grace, I beſeech Thee, to give diligent heed always to keep my ſoul in a fit temper for devotion; and to walk under ſuch a conſtant ſenſe of Thine all-ſeeing Providence, and my abſolute dependence, as may diſpoſe me to be frequently lifting up my heart unto Thee,

pious ejaculations, and devout breathings; and especially to be strictly regular and constant in my morning and evening devotions, and in observing the stated hours of public prayer.

And, that I may always receive a gracious answer to my petitions, grant, I humbly beseech Thee, that in all my supplications to Thy Divine Majesty, I may prostrate myself before Thee with becoming apprehensions of Thine infinite excellencies and perfections, and of my own vileness and demerits; with such a steady, intense application of mind, as is suitable to the nature and importance of so sacred and advantageous a duty; and with such devout affections and fervent desires, as may manifest an inward sense and feeling of my innumerable wants and miseries, and a just esteem and value for the inestimable mercies I sue to Thee for; with an entire submission and resignation to Thy blessed will; and with a firm and lively persuasion, that Thou art both able and willing to fulfil all my desires, and that if I ask according to Thy will, Thou

aſſuredly wilt fulfil them in ſuch a manner, as ſhall be moſt expedient for me.

And becauſe Thou haſt made our forgiveneſs of others a condition of our obtaining forgiveneſs at Thy hands; and haſt commanded us to lift up holy hands in prayer, without wrath, as well as without doubting; endue me, I humbly pray Thee, with ſuch a meek and even temper, as will not eaſily be provoked or diſcompoſed; and with ſuch a charitable and beneficent ſpirit, as may incline me readily to forgive whatever affronts or injuries I may happen to meet with; and cheerfully to do all good offices in my power to any of my fellow-creatures.

Finally, I beg that I may always approach Thy throne of grace in a due ſenſe, that I am infinitely leſs than the leaſt of all Thy mercies, and utterly unworthy to offer up any petition unto Thee, but in the Name, and through the mediation of Thy SON JESUS CHRIST; by Whom alone we have acceſs unto Thee, our offended *FATHER*: and in Whom we are ſure to *be accepted*; for He is our merciſ

and faithful High Prieſt, Who hath put away ſin by the ſacrifice of Himſelf, and is able alſo to ſave all them to the uttermoſt who come unto Thee by Him, ſeeing He ever liveth to make interceſſion for them; to Whom, therefore, with Thee and the HOLY SPIRIT, be aſcribed, as is moſt due, all honour, glory, thankſgiving and praiſe, now and evermore. *Amen.*

For Holiness.

Bp. Wilſon.

O GOD, Who haſt called me to holineſs, give me a firm faith in Thy power, through our LORD JESUS CHRIST, that by His aſſiſtance I may get the maſtery over all my ſins and corruptions; that I may be redeemed from all iniquity; that I may be holy, as He Who has called me is holy.

Poſſeſs my ſoul with an earneſt deſire of pleaſing Thee, and with a fear of offending Thee. Let me be ever ready *to forgive* injuries, and backward to offer

me, O LORD, faith and pa-
I may neither murmur at Thy
ts, nor be angry againſt the in-
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rors and vices of the age we
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ıeneſs, hereſies, and ſchiſm. I
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conſcience. All which things
SUS' ſake. *Amen.*

For Holiness of Intention.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL God, Who haſt made all things for man, and haſt made man for Thy glory, ſanctify, I pray Thee, my body and ſoul, my thoughts and mine intentions, my words and mine actions, that whatever I ſhall think, or ſpeak, or do, may be by me *deſigned* to the glorification of Thy Name, and by Thy bleſſing, may be effective and ſucceſsful in the work of God. Lord, let no pride or ſelf-ſeeking, no impure mixture or unhandſome purpoſes pollute my ſpirit, or unhallow any of my words and actions; but let my body be a ſervant of my ſpirit, and both body and ſpirit be ſervants of Jesus Christ, that doing all things for Thy glory here, I may for His ſake be partaker of Thy glory hereafter. *Amen.*

Prayer before Reading or Hearing Scripture.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O HOLY and Eternal Jesus, Who haſt begotten us by Thy Word, re-

newed us by Thy Spirit, fed us by Thy Sacraments, and by the daily miniſtry of Thy Word, ſtill go on to build me up to life eternal. Let Thy Moſt Holy SPIRIT be preſent with me and reſt upon me in the reading, or hearing Thy ſacred Word; that I may do it humbly, reverently, without prejudice, with a mind ready and deſirous to learn and to obey; that I may be readily furniſhed and inſtructed to every good work, and may practiſe all Thy holy laws and commandments, to the glory of Thy Holy Name, O Holy and Eternal JESUS. *Amen.*

Prayer for Profitable Use of Scripture.

Hele.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Who of Thine infinite love to mankind, haſt been graciouſly pleaſed to reveal to us in the Holy Scriptures whatever is neceſſary for us to believe and practiſe in order to our eternal ſalvation, grant that I may, with *faithful care* and diligence, apply myſelf *to the reading of* thoſe ſacred volumes;

and do Thou open mine eyes, I beſeech Thee, that I may ſee the wondrous things of Thy law. Diſpoſe me, by Thy grace, to peruſe them with that reverence and reſpect which are due to Thy gracious manifeſtations; with an entire ſubmiſſion of my *underſtanding* to Thy Divine authority; and with a ſincere and ſteadfaſt reſolution of mind to govern my *life* by the maxims of Thy Holy Goſpel, and to do and ſuffer Thy bleſſed will in every thing.

Let Thy precious promiſes quicken mine obedience, and make me fruitful and abounding in the work of the LORD: and let Thy dreadful threatenings poſſeſs my ſoul with an awful fear of diſpleaſing Thee, and make me ſpeedily to depart from all iniquity.

O Thou, from Whom is all our ſufficiency, and Who workeſt in us to will and to do of Thy good pleaſure! I humbly beſeech Thee to purge my heart of all hypocriſy, pride, and ſelf-conceit, of all *ſenſual* deſires and worldly cares, and *everything* that will hinder the growth and

increaſe of the heavenly ſeed of Thy Word. And grant that I may ſo ſeriouſly tend to the great truths Thy goodneſs hath revealed to us in the Goſpel, and ſo heedfully obſerve thoſe Divine inſtructions, and moving arguments to a ſincere and uniform obedience, which I ſhall learn from thence, that my improvements in holineſs may be anſwerable to the means of grace which Thou haſt vouchſafed me; and I may ſo cheerfully run the way of Thy commandments, that I may finally attain Thy heavenly promiſes, through the merits of JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Deſire and Ability to Please God.

Hele.

O MOST bleſſed and gracious GOD! the FATHER of mercies and fountain of happineſs! in Whoſe preſence is fulneſs of joy, and at Whoſe right hand are pleaſures for evermore! inſpire me, I *beſeech Thee,* with ſuch a lively ſenſe of *Thine infinite* excellency and goodneſs,

and with ſuch a vehement deſire of that eternal weight of glory which Thou haſt promiſed to all thoſe that love and obey Thee, as may every day more and more raiſe and improve my love of Thee, and diſpoſe me more cheerfully to run the way of Thy commandments, and to be holy even as Thou art holy, in all manner of converſation. Fix my thoughts, my hopes, and my affections upon heaven, and heavenly things. Engage all the powers and faculties of my ſoul to love and delight in Thee; and to endeavour (as much as poſſible) to be like Thee in all the imitable perfections of Thy nature. Make my heart the ſeat of prayer and holy meditation; and my body a fit temple for Thy HOLY SPIRIT to dwell in; that the one being inured to ſpiritual objects, and the other continually exerciſed to godlineſs, I may be prepared both in body and ſoul, to paſs eternity in the contemplation of Thy glorious excellencies; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, liveth and reigneth One GOD, world without end. *Amen.*

For a Life Agreeable to our Knowledge.

King Edward's Primer.

AS I have prayed unto Thee, O Heavenly FATHER, to be taught the true underſtanding of Thy bleſſed Word, by Thy HOLY SPIRIT, ſo I moſt entirely beſeech Thee, to give me grace to lead a life agreeable to my knowledge. Suffer me not to be of the number of them, which profeſs that they know GOD with their mouth, but deny Him with their deeds. Let me not be like unto that ſon which ſaid unto his father that he would labour in his vineyard, and yet laboured nothing at all, but went abroad loitering idly. Make me rather like unto that good and fruitful land, which yieldeth again her ſeed with great increaſe; that men, ſeeing my good works, may glorify Thee, my Heavenly FATHER. *Amen.*

Prayer for Grace to Fulfil Baptismal Promises.

Hele.

O *MOST Gracious* GOD! Who work*eſt in us both* to will and to do of

Thy good pleaſure; vouchſafe to me, I beſeech Thee, ſuch a meaſure of Thy grace, as may enable me to fulfil all my holy reſolutions, and to walk worthy of that bleſſed ſtate whereunto Thou haſt called me.

Grant that I, being regenerate, and made Thy child by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, and may give all diligence to eſchew thoſe things that are contrary to my profeſſion, and follow all ſuch things as are agreeable to the ſame.

Grant me perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, being eſtabliſhed in the truth of Thy holy Goſpel I may give up myſelf obediently to follow Thy holy commandments, and ſteadfaſtly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life.

Grant that I may lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace; and being evermore defended by Thy mighty power, may ſucceſsfully withſtand the temptations of the world, the fleſh, and the devil, and with a pure heart and mind may follow Thee, the only God.

Grant that I may both perceive and know what things I ought to do, and alſo may have grace and power ſo faithfully to fulfil the ſame, that by the innocency of my life, and conſtancy of my faith, I may glorify Thy Holy Name; and plenteouſly bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Thee be plenteouſly rewarded.

Grant that I may diligently follow the example of my SAVIOUR CHRIST, and be made like unto Him; that as He died and roſe again for me, ſo I may die unto ſin, and riſe again unto righteouſneſs; continually mortifying all my evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godlineſs of living; that ſo, as I have been made partaker of the Death of Thy SON, I may alſo be partaker of His Reſurrection, and finally with the reſidue of Thy Saints, may be an inheritor of Thine everlaſting kingdom, through the ſame Thy SON JESUS CHRIST, Who with Thee, and the HOLY GHOST, liveth and reigneth One GOD, world without end.

Now the very GOD of peace ſanctify *me wholly: and* I pray GOD, my whole

ſpirit, and ſoul, and body, be preſerved blameleſs unto the coming of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

Against Temptations.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O GOD and FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Thy Name is great, Thy eſſence is infinite, Thy goodneſs is eternal, and Thy power hath no limit; Thou art the GOD and LORD of all, bleſſed for evermore. Look down in mercy and compaſſion from Thy dwelling, hear my prayers and ſupplications, and deliver me from all temptations of the world, the fleſh, and the devil. Take not Thy grace from me, let me never want Thy help in my needs, nor Thy comfort in the day of my danger and calamity. Never try me beyond my ſtrength, nor afflict me beyond my patience, nor ſmite me but with a father's rod. I have no ſtrength of my own, Thou art my confidence, my rock, and my ſtrong ſalvation. Save me, O GOD, from the miſeries of this world, and

never let me ſuffer the intolerable calamities of the next. Reſcue me from the evils I have done, and preſerve me from the evils I have deſerved; that living before Thee with a clean heart, and undefiled body, and ſanctified ſpirit, I may, at the day of judgment, be preſented pure and ſpotleſs by the Blood of the LAMB, that I may ſing eternal hallelujahs in heavenly places to the honour of GOD our SAVIOUR, Who hath redeemed our ſouls from death, our eyes from tears, and our feet from falling. Grant this in the richneſs of Thy mercy, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Fear of God.

Spinckes.

O GLORIOUS Majeſty, Who only art high, and to be feared, poſſeſs my ſoul with a holy awe and reverence of Thee; that I may give Thee the honour due unto Thy Name, and may bear ſuch *a reſpect to* all things which relate to *Thee, that I* may never profane any holy

thing, nor ſacrilegiouſly invade what Thou haſt ſet apart to Thyſelf. And ſince Thou art a God that wilt not clear the guilty, let the dread of Thy juſtice make me tremble to provoke Thee in anything. O let me not ſo miſplace my fear, as to be afraid of man, that ſhall die, and of the ſon of man, that ſhall be made as graſs; and forget the Lord my Maker; but repleniſh my ſoul with that fear of the Lord, which is the beginning of wiſdom; which may be as a bridle to all my brutiſh appetites, and to keep me in a conſtant conformity to Thy holy will. Hear me, O Lord, I beſeech Thee, and put this fear in my heart; that I may not depart from Thee, but may work out my own ſalvaion with fear and trembling, through esus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Government of Zeal.

Spinckes.

) GOD, Who by the precepts of the Goſpel, and the example of the ſed Jesus, haſt taught us the art of

governing our paſſions; let not the ſpecious pretence of zeal for Thy ſervice betray me into any unreaſonable heats, much leſs into ſuch actions as Thou haſt forbidden. Let not any difference in religion deſtroy in me that charity, which is a peculiar mark of Thy diſciples; but teach me to compaſſionate thoſe who are in error, to pity the prejudices by which they are unhappily miſled; and with meekneſs and modeſty to endeavour their recovery; if, peradventure, God will give them repentance to the acknowledgment of the truth. Make me ready to all acts of kindneſs towards their perſons, and to implore Thy grace in their behalf, which is able to ſubdue the moſt inveterate errors; that though they continue enemies to Thy truth, I may never ſacrifice my patience and meekneſs; but by a continuance in well doing may wait for glory, and honour, and immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Faith.

Bp. Wilson.

GRANT, O God, that I may with humility receive, and with perseverance hold fast, all those truths which Thou hast revealed.

I thank Thee, O God, for Thy holy Word, and for that Thou hast not left us, in the affair of eternity, to the uncertainty of our own reason and judgment.

Defend me against all delusions of error; the snares of wit and learning; the railleries of profane men; and from deserting the truth under oppression.

Grant, O God, that neither education, interest, prejudice, or passion, may ever hinder me from discerning the truth. Open the eyes of all that are in error; heal the wounds of the divided Church; that we may be one fold under one Shepherd. *Amen.*

For a Right Faith.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O HOLY and Eternal Jesus, Who didst die for me, and all mankind,

aboliſhing our ſin, reconciling us to God, adopting us into the portion of Thine heritage, and eſtabliſhing with us a covenant of faith and obedience, making our ſouls to rely upon ſpiritual ſtrengths, by the ſupports of a holy belief, and the expectation of rare promiſes, and the infallible truths of God: O let me for ever dwell upon the Rock, leaning upon Thy arm, believing Thy Word, truſting in Thy promiſes, waiting for Thy mercies, and doing Thy commandments; that the devil may not prevail upon me, and my own weakneſſes may not abuſe or unſettle my perſuaſions, nor my ſins diſcompoſe my juſt confidence in Thee and Thy eternal mercies. Let me always be Thy ſervant and Thy diſciple, and die in the communion of Thy Church, of all faithful people. Lord, I renounce whatſoever is againſt Thy truth; and if ſecretly I have, or do believe, any falſe propoſition, I do it in the ſimplicity of my heart and great weakneſs; and if I could diſcover it, would *daſh it in pieces* by a ſolemn diſclaiming *it: for Thou art* the way, the truth, and

the life. And I know, that whatſoever Thou haſt declared, that is the truth of God: and I do firmly adhere to the religion Thou haſt taught, and glory in nothing ſo much as that I am a Chriſtian, that Thy Name is called upon me. O my God, though I die, yet will I put my truſt in Thee. In Thee, O Lord, have I truſted; let me never be confounded. *Amen.*

For Charity and Liberality.

Bp. Wilſon.

POSSESS my ſoul, O God, with a ſincere love for Thee, and for all mankind.

Let no malice or ill-will abide in me. Give me grace to forgive all that have offended me; and forgive my many offences againſt Thee, and againſt my neighbour.

Make me ever ready to give, and glad to diſtribute, that Thy gifts, paſſing through my hands, may procure for me the prayers of the poor; and that I may lay up in

ſtore for myſelf a good foundation againſt the time to come, that I may attain eternal life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer againſt Covetouſneſs.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, eternal treaſure of all good things, Thou filleſt all things with plenteouſneſs; Thou clotheſt the lilies of the field, and feedeſt the young ravens that call upon Thee; Thou art all-ſufficient in Thyſelf, and all-ſufficient to us; let Thy Providence be my ſtore-houſe, Thy diſpenſation of temporal things the limit of my labour, my own neceſſity the meaſure of my deſire: but never let my deſires of this world be greedy, nor my labour immoderate, nor my care vexatious and diſtracting, but prudent, moderate, holy, ſubordinate to Thy will, the meaſure Thou haſt appointed for me.

Teach me, O GOD, to deſpiſe the world, *to labour for the* true riches, to ſeek the *kingdom of heaven* and its righteouſneſs,

to be content with what Thou provide
to be in this world like a ſtranger wi
affections ſet upon heaven, labouring fo
and longing after, the poſſeſſions of T
kingdom; but never ſuffer my affectio
to dwell below, but give me a heart co
paſſionate to the poor, liberal to the need
open and free in all my communicatio
without baſe ends, or greedy deſigns,
unworthy arts of gain: but let my ſtr
be to gain Thy favour, to obtain the ble
edneſs of doing good to others, and givi
to them that want, and the bleſſedneſs
receiving from Thee pardon and ſuppo
grace and holineſs, perſeverance and glo
through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Ame*

For Self-Denial.

Wilſon.

BLESSED JESUS, Who pleaſedeſt n
Thyſelf, but tookeſt upon Thee t
form of a ſervant, to teach mankind t
great duty and bleſſings of ſelf-deni
aſſiſt me to follow Thy commands
Thy holy example, though I ſhou

obliged to loſe anything, as dear as a right hand or a right eye. Give me reſolution to deny my inclinations for the good things of this world, even while I may command them: to ſubdue my corrupt affections, and to take revenge upon myſelf, for my intemperance, by mortification; for miſſpending my time, by retirement: for the errors of my tongue, by ſilence: and for all the ſins of my life, by a deep humiliation, patiently ſubmitting to all the troubles with which Thou ſhalt think fit to exerciſe or puniſh me: ſo that being effectually weaned from this world, and weary of its corruptions, I may long to repoſe myſelf in the grave, in hopes of a better life, through Thy mercy and merits, O LORD JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

For a Right Use of the Good Things of this World.

Spinckes.

THOU, O LORD, art the FATHER of *Mercies*, and the Author of all the *bleſſings I am now*, or have at any time

been partaker of: O let me never have cauſe to repent, that Thou haſt beſtowed them upon me. Vouchſafe me ſuch a right notion and eſteem of all earthly privileges and enjoyments, that I may never be brought under the power of any of them: but may conſtantly uſe that portion of them Thou conferreſt upon me, with temperance, ſobriety, and charity, for the time they are continued to me; and with a ready diſpoſition of mind to part with them, whenſoever Thou ſhalt ſee fit to ſtrip me, either of the whole, or of any part of them; and with ſuch heavenly-mindedneſs, and an eye ſo immoveably fixed on the inconceivable rewards of the other world, that I may never dare to ſet theſe in competition with them. Incline my heart to a conſtant ſolicitude for another life, and a care to lay up to myſelf a treaſure in Heaven, by a good improvement of whatever I enjoy here below. Grant that I never may be high-minded, nor truſt in uncertain riches, but in Thee the living God, Who giveſt us all things richly to enjoy; that I may be

rich in good works, ready to diſtribute, willing to communicate, and ſo may lay up to myſelf a good foundation againſt the time to come, that I may lay hold on eternal life. Make me truly ſenſible how impoſſible it is to ſerve both God and mammon; and that if I love the world, and the things of this world, it is a certain ſign that the love of God is not in me. Be Thou my God and my Guide in all my concerns; and grant me ſo to paſs through things temporal, that I finally loſe not the things eternal. This I beg for Thy mercy's ſake, in Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Against Worldliness.

Wilſon.

GREAT and glorious God, Who alone art worthy of our love and ſervice, cure me of, and preſerve me from, the ſin *and vanity of* admiring this world.

Give me grace to renounce all covetous

desires, all love of riches and pleasures; to desire only what is necessary, and to be content with what Thou, O LORD, thinkest so;

Not to be troubled at the loss or want of anything besides Thy favour;

That no business, no pleasures, may divert me from thoughts of the world to come;

That I may cheerfully part with all these things when Thou requirest it of me;

And that I may ever be prepared to do so, dispose me to a temperance in all things, and to lay up my treasure in heaven, for JESUS CHRIST's sake. *Amen.*

Against Worldly Carefulness.

King Edward VI.'s Primer.

OH most dear and tender FATHER, our Defender and Nourisher; move us with Thy grace: that we cast off the great blindness of our minds, and carefulness of worldly things; and may put our whole study and care in keeping of Thy *holy law;* and that we may labour and

travail for our neceſſities in this life, like the birds of the air and the lilies of the field, without care. For Thou haſt promiſed to be careful for us; and haſt commanded that upon Thee we ſhould caſt all our care; Which liveſt and reigneſt world without end. *Amen.*

Prayer for Temperance.

Lake.

GRACIOUS LORD, Who refreſheſt us with Thy good creatures, and art the Author of all good things which we do enjoy; give me grace, I pray Thee, to uſe them with thankfulneſs and moderation; let me never be overcharged with ſurfeiting and drunkenneſs, nor my table be ever made a ſnare unto me; but that I may ſo eat and drink, that my fleſh may be ſubdued to the Spirit, and I may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteouſneſs and true holineſs, to Thy honour and glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Temperance.

Spinckes.

O BOUNTIFUL and gracious LORD, Who giveſt us all things richly to enjoy, be Thou gracious to Thy ſervant yet more, and ſuffer me not by my folly to turn Thy bounty into ſin, Thy grace into wantonneſs; but give me the ſpirit of temperance and ſobriety, that I may uſe Thy creatures in the ſame meaſure, and to the ſame purpoſes which Thou haſt deſigned; ſo as may beſt enable me to ſerve Thee; and not to make proviſion for the fleſh, to fulfil the luſts thereof. Pardon me, O GOD, in whatſoever I have offended Thee, by meat, and drink, and pleaſure; and never let my body any more be oppreſſed with ſurfeiting and drunkenneſs, or the enervating luxuries of this ſenſual life; but ſubdue my appetite to reaſon, and Thy grace, that my table may be no more a ſnare unto me, nor my food become a temptation, a ſin, or a diſeaſe; but that my affections being changed from earthly *to heavenly*, I may hunger and thirſt after

righteouſneſs, and account it my meat and drink, and pleaſure to do Thy will, O God. Grant this, O Lord, for Thy Son Jesus Christ's ſake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

For Temperance.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY God and gracious Father of men and Angels, Who openeſt Thy hand and filleſt all things with plenty, and haſt provided for Thy ſervant, ſufficient to ſatisfy all my needs; teach me to uſe Thy creatures ſoberly and temperately, that I may not, with meat or drink, make the temptations of my enemy to prevail upon me, or my ſpirit unapt for the performance of my duty, or my body healthleſs, or my affections ſenſual and unholy. O my God, never ſuffer that the bleſſings which Thou giveſt me may either miniſter to ſin or ſickneſs, but to health and holineſs, and thankſgiving; *that in the* ſtrength of Thy proviſions I *may cheerfully*, and actively, and dili-

gently, ſerve Thee: that I may worthily feaſt at Thy table here, and be accounted worthy, through Thy grace, to be admitted to Thy table hereafter, at the eternal ſupper of the LAMB. *Amen.*

Against Gluttony.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY FATHER of men and Angels, Who haſt, of Thy great bounty, provided plentifully for all mankind to ſupport his ſtate, to relieve his neceſſities, to refreſh his ſorrows, to recreate his labour; that he may praiſe Thee and rejoice in Thy mercies and bounty: be Thou gracious unto Thy ſervant yet more, and ſuffer me not, by my folly, to change Thy bounty into ſin, Thy grace into wantonneſs. Give me the ſpirit of temperance and ſobriety, that I may uſe Thy creatures in the ſame meaſures, and to the ſame purpoſes which Thou haſt deſigned, ſo as may beſt enable me to ſerve Thee, but 'not to make proviſion for the fleſh, to fulfil the luſts there-

of;' let me not, as Esau, prefer meat before a blessing; but subdue my appetite, subjecting it to reason and the grace of God, being content with what is moderate, and useful, and easy to be obtained; taking it in due time, receiving it thankfully, making it to minister to my body, that my body may be a good instrument of the soul, and the soul a servant of Thy Divine Majesty for ever and ever.

Pardon, O God, in whatsoever I have offended Thee by meat, and drink, and pleasures; and never let my body any more be oppressed with sloth and delicacies, or my soul drowned in wine or strong drink; but let my appetites be changed into spiritual desires, that I may hunger after the food of Angels, and thirst for the wine of elect souls, and account it 'meat, and drink, and pleasure, to do Thy will,' O God. Lord, let me eat and drink so, that my food may not become a temptation, or a sin, or a disease; but grant that, with so much caution and prudence, I may watch over my appetite; that I may, in the strength of Thy mer-

cies and refreſhments, in the light of Thy countenance, and in the paths of Thy commandments, walk before Thee all the days of my life, acceptable to Thee in JESUS CHRIST, ever advancing His honour, and being filled with His Spirit, that I may, at laſt, partake of His glory; through the ſame JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Prayer against Sensuality.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL FATHER, Thou that ſitteſt in Heaven, inveſted with eſſential glories and Divine perfections, fill my ſoul with ſo deep a ſenſe of the excellencies of ſpiritual and heavenly things, that my affections, being weaned from the pleaſures of the world, and the falſe allurements of ſin, I may, with great ſeverity, and the prudence of a holy diſcipline and ſtrict deſires, with clear reſolutions and a free ſpirit, have my converſation in heaven and heavenly employments; that being in affections as in my condition, a pilgrim and a ſtranger here, I may covet after and la-

bour for an abiding city, and at laſt may enter into, and for ever dwell in, the celeſtial Jeruſalem, which is the Mother of us all; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be used under Temptation to Private Sin.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, Infinite and Eternal, Thou filleſt all things with Thy preſence; Thou art everywhere by Thy eſſence and by Thy power, in Heaven by glory, in holy places by Thy grace and favour, in the hearts of Thy ſervants by Thy Spirit, in the conſciences of all men by Thy teſtimony and obſervation of us. Teach me to walk always as in Thy preſence, to fear Thy Majeſty, to reverence Thy wiſdom and omniſcience; that I may never dare to commit any indecency in the eye of my LORD and my Judge; but that I may with ſo much care and reverence demean myſelf, that my Judge may *not be my accuſer*, but my advocate; that *I, expreſſing the* belief of Thy preſence

here by careful walking, may feel the effects of it in the participation of eternal glory, through JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

A Prayer against Lust.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL Purity, Thou art brighter than the ſun, purer than the Angels, and the Heavens are not clean in Thy ſight; with mercy behold Thy ſervant, apt to be tempted with every object, and to be overcome by every enemy. I cannot, O GOD, ſtand in the day of battle and danger, unleſs Thou covereſt me with Thy ſhield, and hideſt me under Thy wings. The fiery darts of the devil are ready to conſume me, unleſs the dew of Thy grace for ever deſcend upon me. Thou didſt make me after Thy Image: be pleaſed to preſerve me ſo, pure and ſpotleſs, chaſte and clean; that my body may be a holy temple, and my ſoul a ſanctuary to entertain Thy Divineſt Spirit, the Spirit of love and holineſs, the Prince of purities.

Reprove in me the ſpirit of fornication and uncleanneſs, and fill my ſoul with holy fires, that no ſtrange fire may come into the temple of my body, where Thou haſt choſen to dwell. O caſt out all thoſe unclean ſpirits, which have unhallowed the place where Thy holy feet have trod: pardon all my hurtful thoughts, all my impurities; that I, who am a member of CHRIST, may not become the member of a harlot, nor the ſlave of the devil, nor a ſervant of luſt and unworthy deſires: but do Thou purify my love, and let me ſeek the things that are above, hating the garments ſpotted with the fleſh; never any more grieving Thy HOLY SPIRIT by filthy inclinations, with impure and fantaſtic thoughts: but let my thoughts be holy, my ſoul pure, my body chaſte and healthful, my ſpirit ſevere, devout, and religious, every day more and more; that, at the day of our appearing, I may be preſented to GOD waſhed and cleanſed, pure and ſpotleſs, by the Blood of the Holy LAMB, through JESUS CHRIST *our LORD. Amen.*

For Chastity.

Spinckes.

O HOLY and Immaculate JESUS, Who waſt born of a pure Virgin, and delighteſt to dwell in pure and virgin hearts, with mercy behold Thy ſervant ſurrounded with the temptations of thoſe impure and fleſhly luſts, which war againſt the ſoul; and too apt to be overcome by them. I cannot, O my GOD, ſtand in the day of battle and danger, unleſs Thy grace prevent and ſtrengthen me: O let Thy bleſſed Spirit deſcend upon me, the ſpirit of purity and holineſs, and preſerve me chaſte and ſpotleſs, clean and undefiled; that my body may be a holy temple, and my ſoul a ſanctuary, fit for Thee to dwell in. Pardon all my paſt impurities, whether in thought, word, or deed; and reprove in me the ſpirit of luſt and uncleanneſs. Kindle the holy fire of Thy love in my heart, and let it conſume all my droſs; that I may no more grieve Thy bleſſed Spirit by any works of darkneſs, but, after a *chaſte* and religious life here, may be

presented to God, washed and cleansed in Thy Blood, and reign with Thee for ever. *Amen.* Holy Lamb of God, *Amen.*

For Chastity.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY God, our most holy and eternal Father, Who art pure of eyes, and can behold no uncleanness; let Thy gracious and Holy Spirit descend upon Thy servant, and reprove the spirit of fornication and uncleanness, and cast him out, that my body may be a holy temple, and my soul a sanctuary to entertain the Prince of purities, the holy and eternal Spirit of God. O let no impure thoughts pollute that soul which God hath sanctified; no unclean words pollute that tongue which God hath commanded to be an organ of His praises; no unholy and unchaste action rend the veil of that temple where the Holy Jesus hath been pleased to enter, and hath chosen for His habitation; but seal up all my senses from all vain objects, and let them be entirely pos-

ſeſſed with religion, and fortified with prudence, watchfulneſs, and mortification; that I, poſſeſſing my veſſel in holineſs, may lay it down with a holy hope, and receive it again in a joyful reſurrection, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Clean Heart.

King Edward's Primer.

THE heart of man naturally is corrupt and unſearchable through the multitude of ſins, which lie buried in it; inſomuch that no man is able to ſay, My heart is clean, and I am clear from ſin. Remove from me, therefore, O Heavenly FATHER, my corrupt, ſinful, ſtony, ſtubborn, and unfaithful heart. Create in me a clean heart, free from all noiſome and ungodly thoughts. Breathe into my heart by Thy HOLY SPIRIT, godly and ſpiritual motions; that out of the good treaſure of the heart, I may bring forth good things, unto the praiſe and glory of Thy Name. *Amen.*

For Sincerity.

Lake.

O HOLY LORD, Who ſearcheſt the heart, and trieſt the reins, try me, I beſeech Thee, and ſeek the ground of my heart; purge it from all hypocriſy, and ſuffer not any accurſed thing to lurk within me; give me truth in the inward parts, to be pure in heart, that I may be qualified to ſee Thee in Thy Kingdom, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Grace of Humility.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O HOLY and moſt Gracious Maſter and SAVIOUR JESUS, Who by Thy example and by Thy precept, by the practice of a holy life and frequent diſcourſes, didſt command us to be meek and humble in imitation of Thy incomparable ſweetneſs and great humility; be pleaſed to give me the grace, as Thou haſt given me the commandment: enable me to do *whatſoever* Thou commandeſt, and com*mand whatſoever* Thou pleaſeſt. O mor-

tify in me all proud thoughts and vain opinions of myſelf: let me return to Thee the acknowledgment and the fruits of all thoſe good things Thou haſt given me, that, by confeſſing I am wholly in debt to Thee for them, I may not boaſt myſelf for what I have received, and for what I am highly accountable: and for what is my own, teach me to be aſhamed and humbled, it being nothing but ſin and miſery, weakneſs and uncleanneſs. Let me go before my brethren in nothing but in ſtriving to do them honour and Thee glory, never to ſeek my own praiſe, never to delight in it when it is offered; that, deſpiſing myſelf, I may be accepted by Thee in the honours with which Thou ſhalt crown Thy humble and deſpiſed ſervants, for JESUS' ſake, in the kingdom of eternal glory. *Amen.*

For Humility.

Lake.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Who reſiſteſt the proud, and giveſt grace to the hum-

ble; mercifully grant that I may follow the example of the great humility of Thy Bleſſed Son, Who did humble Himſelf to take upon Him our fleſh and to ſuffer death upon the Croſs: convince me that I am leſs than the leaſt of all Thy mercies; that as I am vile in myſelf, ſo let me be vile in mine own eyes, and may therefore eſteem every man better than myſelf. Grant this, O Father, for Thy Son Jesus Christ's ſake. *Amen.*

For Meekness.

Lake.

ALMIGHTY God, Who haſt given Thine Only Son to be unto us both a Sacrifice for ſin, and alſo an Enſample of godly life; give me grace to learn of Him Who was meek and lowly of heart, to put on bowels of mercy, meekneſs, and long-ſuffering; to be ſo far from offering the leaſt injury, that I may never return the greateſt: and grant, I beſeech Thee, that the courſe of this world may be ſo *peacefully* ordered by Thy governance, *that I may joyfully* ſerve Thee in all godly

quietneſs, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Against Envy.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MOST Gracious FATHER, Thou Spring of an eternal charity, Who haſt ſo loved mankind, that Thou didſt open Thy boſom, and ſend Thy Holy SON to convey Thy mercies to us; and Thou didſt create Angels and men, that Thou mighteſt have objects to whom Thou mighteſt communicate Thy goodneſs; give me grace to follow ſo glorious a precedent, that I may never envy the proſperity of any one, but rejoice to honour him whom Thou honoureſt, to love him whom Thou loveſt, to commend the virtuous, to diſcern the precious from the vile, giving honour to whom honour belongs, that I may go to heaven in the nobleſt way, of rejoicing in the good of others.

O Eternal GOD, never ſuffer me to fall into the ſin of envy; let it not be ill with me, when it is well with others, but let Thy HOLY SPIRIT ſo overrule me fr

ever, that I may pity the afflicted, and b
compaſſionate, and have a fellow-feelin
of my brother's ſorrows, and that I may
as much as I can, promote his good, an
give Thee thanks for it, and rejoice wit
them that do rejoice; never cenſuring hi
actions enviouſly, nor detracting from hi
praiſes ſpitefully, nor upbraiding his in
felicities maliciouſly, but pleaſed in al
things which Thou doeſt or giveſt; tha
I may then triumph in ſpirit, when Th
kingdom is advanced, when Thy SPIRI
rules, when Thy Church is profited, whe
Thy Saints rejoice, when the devil's in
tereſt is deſtroyed; truly loving Thee, an
truly loving my brother; that we ma
altogether join in the holy communion o
Saints, both here and hereafter, in th
meaſures of grace and glory; throug
JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Against Wrath.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O *ALMIGHTY* Judge of men an
Angels, Whoſe anger is always t

minister of justice, slow, but severe, not lightly arising, but falling heavily when it comes: give to Thy servant a meek and a gentle spirit, that I also may be slow to anger, and easy to mercy and forgiveness. Give me a wise and a constant heart, that I may not be moved with every trifling mistake, and inconsiderable accident, in the conversation and intercourse of others; never be moved to an intemperate anger for any injury that is done or offered; let my anger ever be upon a just cause, measured with moderation and reason, expressed with charity and prudence, lasting but till it hath done some good, either upon myself or others.

Lord, let me be ever courteous and easy to be entreated; never let me fall into a peevish or contentious spirit, but follow peace with all men, offering forgiveness, inviting them by courtesies, ready to confess my own errors, apt to make amends, and desirous to be reconciled. Let no sickness or cross accident, no employment or weariness, make me angry or *ungentle*, and discontented or unthankful,

or uneasy to them that minister to me; but, in all things, make me like unto the Holy JESUS. Give me the spirit of a Christian, charitable, humble, merciful and meek, useful and liberal, complying with every chance; angry at nothing but my own sins, and grieving for the sins of others; that while my passion obeys my reason, and my reason is religious, and my religion is pure and undefiled, managed with humility and adorned with charity, I may escape Thy anger which I have deserved, and may dwell in Thy love, and be Thy son and servant for ever; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Against Anger.

Bp. Wilson.

O LORD, Who art a GOD ready to pardon, slow to anger, and of great kindness, remove far from me all occasions and effects of causeless and immoderate anger; all pride and prejudice, and too much concern for the things of this world; all intemperate speeches, and indecent passions.

mercy, which Thine infinite goodneſs has offered to ſinners.

O Bleſſed God, help me in this great concern, that I may never fall under Thy wrath for want of ſhowing mercy to others; but grant, O Bleſſed Jesus, that in this I may be Thy Diſciple indeed. *Amen.*

For Mercifulness.

King Edward's Primer.

THY dearly beloved Son in His Holy Goſpel, exhorteth us to be merciful, even as Thou, our Heavenly Father, art merciful, and promiſeſt that if we be merciful to others, we ſhall obtain mercy of Thee, Which art the Father of mercies, and God of all conſolation. Grant therefore, that foraſmuch as Thou art our Father, and we Thy children, we may reſemble Thee in all our life and converſation; and that as Thou art beneficial and liberal, not only to the good, but alſo to the evil, ſo we likewiſe may ſhow ourſelves merciful, gentle, and liberal to ſ many as have need of our help; that

the dreadful day of doom we may be found in the number of thoſe merciful, whom Thou ſhalt appoint by Thy only begotten SON to go into everlaſting life; to Whom with Thee and the HOLY GHOST be all honour and praiſe. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a Contented Spirit, and the Graces of Moderation and Patience.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER and LORD of all the creatures, Who haſt diſpoſed all things and chances ſo as may beſt glorify Thy wiſdom, and ſerve the ends of Thy juſtice, and magnify Thy mercy, by ſecret and indiſcernible ways bringing good out of evil: I moſt humbly beſeech Thee to give me wiſdom from above, that I may adore Thee, and admire Thy ways and footſteps, which are in the great deep and not to be ſearched out. Teach me to ſubmit to Thy Providence in all things; to be content in all changes of perſon and condition; to be temperate in proſperity, and to read my duty in the

lines of Thy mercy; and in adverſity to be meek, patient, and reſigned: and to look through the cloud, that I may wait for the conſolation of the LORD, and the day of redemption; in the mean time doing my duty with an unwearied diligence, and an undiſturbed reſolution, having no fondneſs for the vanities or poſſeſſions of this world, but laying my hopes in heaven and the rewards of holy living, and being ſtrengthened with the ſpirit of the inner man, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Content.

Luke.

O GOD, Heavenly FATHER, Who by Thy SON JESUS CHRIST, haſt promiſed to all them that ſeek Thy Kingdom and the righteouſneſs thereof, all things neceſſary to their bodily ſuſtenance; keep me, I beſeech Thee, under the protection of Thy good Providence, and learn me in *whatſoever ſtate* I am, therewith to be *content:* grant me grace to forſake all

covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and so to pass through things temporal, that I finally lose not the things eternal; but that among all the sundry and manifold changes of the world, my heart may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Thankfulness.

Lake.

GRACIOUS GOD, Who hast taught me, that it is a joyful and pleasant thing to be thankful; suffer me not, I beseech Thee, to lose my part in that Divine pleasure, but make me truly and unfeignedly thankful to Thee for all Thy mercies; let Thy mercies lead me to repentance, and give me grace to improve them all to the advancement of Thy glory, and the furtherance of my salvation, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer against Doubts and Infirmities.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL God, and most Gracious Father, in much mercy and compassion behold me, Thy servant laden with my sins, encompassed with infirmity, assaulted by enemies without, and apt to be betrayed by my own weaknesses within. If I am cheerful I am apt to be careless of my duty; if I am sad, I am timorous and unsafe, too ready to distrust Thee, and to sink under the burden of those calamities which by my sins I have deserved. O God, I confess, with sorrow and shame, that I resolve often to give myself entirely to Thy service, but I am so perpetually beaten with the violent tempests and storms of passion, that all my hopes and all my fears grow unactive and useless, and are overcome by them, and sink under my own evil customs and infirmities, lust, pride, ambition, anger; and under this state of infelicity I groan and labour, and *to Thee I* humbly make my complaint; *for Thou art my* hope and my strength,

my rock and my might, my SAVIOUR and defender, my ſupport and deliverer. O hear the cries of Thy humble and afflicted ſervant, and give me eaſe from my ſorrows; give me a cheerful heart and a ſevere ſpirit; a love of Thy mercies, and a trembling at Thy judgments; an infinite deſire to pleaſe Thee, and a great fear to offend Thee; and though I humbly deſire of Thy glorious goodneſs, to ſecure and promote my eternal intereſt by what inſtruments Thou pleaſeſt, yet becauſe Thou art my FATHER and my merciful GOD, I beg of Thy infinite goodneſs to take care of my infirmities, and to pity my weakneſs; and make my religion to be to me the pleaſanteſt thing in the world; that nothing may tempt me from Thee and prevail in the days of my weakneſſes and diſadvantage. *Amen.*

Against Anquiet and Perplexing Thoughts.

Dr. Johnſon.

O LORD, my Maker and Protector, Who haſt graciouſly ſent me into

the world to work out my ſalvation, enable me to drive from me all ſuch unquiet and perplexing thoughts as may miſlead or hinder me in the practice of thoſe duties which Thou haſt required. When I behold the works of Thy hands, and conſider the courſe of Thy Providence, give me grace always to remember that Thy thoughts are not my thoughts, nor Thy ways my ways. And while it ſhall pleaſe Thee to continue me in this world, where much is to be done and little to be known, teach me, by Thy HOLY SPIRIT, to withdraw my mind from unprofitable and dangerous inquiries, from difficulties vainly curious, and doubts impoſſible to be ſolved. Let me rejoice in the light which Thou haſt imparted; let me ſerve Thee with active zeal, and humble confidence, and wait with patient expectation for the time, in which the ſoul which Thou receiveſt ſhall be ſatisfied with knowledge. Grant this, O LORD, for JESUS CHRIST'S ſake. *Amen.*

For Trust in God.

Spinckes.

O ALMIGHTY LORD, Who never faileſt them that truſt in Thee, give me grace, in all difficulties and diſtreſſes, to have recourſe to Thee, to reſt and depend upon Thee. Thou wilt keep him, O LORD, in perfect peace, whoſe mind is ſtayed on Thee: O let me always reſt on this firm pillow, and never exchange it for the broken reeds of worldly ſuccours. Suffer not my heart to be overcharged with the cares of this life, taking thought what I ſhall eat or drink, or wherewithal I ſhall be clothed; but grant, that, having, by honeſt induſtry, and the uſe of all lawful means, done my part, I may cheerfully commit myſelf to Thy Providence, caſting all my care upon Thee, and being careful for nothing, but to be of the number of thoſe whom Thou oweneſt and careſt for; and, ſeeking firſt Thy kingdom and the righteouſneſs thereof, I may ſteadfaſtly truſt in Thee for ſuch a meaſure of *thoſe* outward things, as Thou, in Thy

wiſdom ſeeſt to be moſt expedient for me. Grant this, O LORD, for JESUS CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

For Diligence.

Lake.

O LORD, Who in Thy Holy Goſpel didſt ſentence the ſlothful and unprofitable ſervant to be caſt into outer darkneſs; grant that I may not ſtand here all the day idle, but may give all diligence to make my calling and election ſure; make me in ſome meaſure uſeful to myſelf and others, both as to this and a better life. O let me never lay mine eyes to ſleep, nor mine eyelids to ſlumber, but learn and labour to get my own living in that ſtate of life, whereto it hath pleaſed Thee to call me, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Prayer against Weariness in Well-doing.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MY GOD, merciful and gracious, my ſoul groans under the load of

its own infirmity; when my ſpirit is willing, my fleſh is weak; my underſtanding fooliſh and imperfect, my will peeviſh and liſtleſs, my affections wandering after ſtrange objects, my fancy wild and unfixed, all my ſenſes miniſter to folly and vanity; and though they were all made for religion, yet they leaſt of all delight in that. O my God, pity me, and hear me when I pray, and make that I may pray acceptably. Give me a love to religion, an unwearied ſpirit in the things of God. Let me not reliſh or delight in the things of the world, in ſenſual objects and tranſitory poſſeſſions; but make my eyes look up to Thee, my ſoul be filled with Thee, my ſpirit raviſhed with Thy love, my underſtanding employed in the meditation of Thy law, all my powers and faculties of ſoul and body wholly ſerving Thee, and delighting in ſuch holy miniſtries.

O relieve my ſpirit with Thy graciouſneſs, take from me all tedioufneſs of ſpirit, and give me a laborioufneſs that will not be tired, a hope that ſhall never fail, a

desire of holiness not to be satisfied till it possesses a charity that will always increase; that I, making religion the business of my whole life, may turn all things into religion, doing all things to Thy glory, and by the measures of Thy Word and of Thy SPIRIT: that when Thou shalt call me from this deliciousness of employment, and the holy ministries of grace, I may pass into the employment of Saints and Angels, whose work it is with eternal joy and thanksgiving to sing praises to the mercies of the great Redeemer of men, and SAVIOUR of men and Angels, JESUS CHRIST our LORD, to Whom, with the FATHER and the HOLY GHOST, be all honour and worship, all service and thanks, all glory and dominion, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Perseverance.

Bp. Wilson.

FINISH, O my GOD, the work of *mercy* and conversion which Thou *hast begun in me.*

Save, O LORD JESUS, a ſoul which Thou haſt redeemed by Thy Blood.

There is no merit in me, O GOD, to attract Thy mercy and goodneſs, but only my great miſery and blindneſs. May I make a ſuitable return by a holy life.

According to the greatneſs of Thy goodneſs, and the multitude of Thy mercies, look upon me.

Sanctify my ſoul and body with Thy heavenly bleſſings, that they may be made Thy holy habitation, and that nothing may be found in me, that may offend the eyes of Thy Majeſty.

Protect and keep me in the midſt of the dangers of this corrupt world; and by Thy light and grace direct me in the way to everlaſting life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Perseverance.

Lake.

O LORD, raiſe up, I pray Thee, Thy power, and come among us, and *with* great might ſuccour me; that where-

as through my ſins and wickedneſs, I am ſore let and hindered in running the race that is ſet before me, Thy bountiful grace and mercy may help and ſtrengthen me to hold out unto the end, that ſo I may be ſaved; to be faithful unto death, that I may receive a crown of life; nouriſh me, I pray Thee, with all goodneſs, and of Thy great mercy keep me in the ſame, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Bleſſing on a New Purſuit.

Dr. Johnſon.

O GOD, Who haſt ordained that whatever is to be deſired ſhould be ſought by labour, and Who by Thy bleſſing bringeſt honeſt labour to good effect, look with mercy upon my ſtudies and endeavours. Grant me, O LORD, by Thy HOLY SPIRIT, to deſign only what is lawful and right; enable me ſo to ſhun ſloth and negligence, that every day may diſcharge part of the *taſk which* Thou haſt allotted me; and *ſo further with* Thy help that labour, *which without* Thy help muſt be ineffec-

tual, that I may obtain in mine undertaking ſuch ſucceſs as will moſt promote Thy glory, and the ſalvation of mine own ſoul, for the ſake of JESUS CHRIST Thine only SON, our LORD. *Amen.*

Against Sloth.

Bp. Wilſon.

O GOD, Who haſt given me an active ſpirit, and many opportunities of doing Thee ſervice, give me grace to make uſe of all occaſions of ſerving Thee faithfully, and doing good in my generation; make me to abhor that ſloth which would lead me into an inſenſibility and forgetfulneſs of Thee and of my errand into the world; keep me from idleneſs, which would expoſe me to temptations, enfeeble my mind, and cover me with rags; make me ever ſenſible of the great evil of delaying to do the work in its ſeaſon which Thou haſt appointed me, that whatever my hand by Thy Providence *findeth* to do, I may do it with all my *might*; ſo that whenever I am called to

give an account of my labours to my Great Maſter, I may not be judged an unprofitable ſervant. Accept of my ambition of ſerving Thee, Great God; and, O grant, that when my Lord comes, He may find me ſo doing. *Amen.*

For Good Use of Time.

Hele.

O LORD God! Who haſt created the light and darkneſs, and by the continual interchanges of day and night doſt put us in mind of our tranſitory condition, and the ſhortneſs of our abode here; give us grace to ſet ourſelves ſeriouſly about the work of ſalvation, while the day of ſalvation laſteth; that when the night of death cometh, and our Lord ſhall call us to account, we may receive the reward of good and faithful ſervants, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Grace to Spend our Time Well.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O *ETERNAL* God, Who, from *eternity*, doſt behold and love

own glories and perfections infinite, and haſt created me to do the work of God after the manner of men, and to ſerve Thee in this generation, and according to my capacities; give me Thy grace, that I may be a careful and prudent ſpender of my time, ſo as I may beſt prevent, or reſiſt, all temptation, and be profitable to the Chriſtian commonwealth, and by diſcharging all my duty, may glorify Thy Name. Take from me all ſlothfulneſs, and give me a diligent and an active ſpirit, and wiſdom to chooſe my employment; that I may do works proportionable to my perſon, and to the dignity of a Chriſtian, and may fill up all the ſpaces of my time with actions of religion and charity; that, when the devil aſſaults me, he may not find me idle; and my deareſt Lord, at His ſudden coming, may find me buſy in lawful, neceſſary and pious actions; improving my talent entruſted to me by Thee my Lord; that I may enter into the joy of my Lord, to partake of His eternal *felicities*, even for Thy mercy's ſake, and *for my* deareſt Saviour's ſake. Amen.

For Holiness of Intention.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL God, Who hast made all things for man, and man for Thy glory, sanctify my body and soul, my thoughts and my intentions, my words and actions, that whatsoever I shall think, or speak, or do, may be by me designed to the glorification of Thy Name; and by Thy blessing it may be effective and successful in the work of God, according as it can be capable. Lord, turn my necessities into virtue; the works of nature into the works of grace, by making them orderly, regular, temperate, subordinate, and profitable to ends beyond their own proper efficacy: and let no pride, or self-seeking, no covetousness or revenge, no impure mixture or unhandsome purposes, no little ends and low imaginations, pollute my spirit, and unhallow any of my words and actions: but let my body be a servant of my spirit, and both body and spirit servants of Jesus; that, doing all things for Thy glory here, I may be a

partaker of Thy glory hereafter, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Blessing on a Journey.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, Who filleſt all things with Thy Preſence, and art a GOD afar off, as well as near at hand, be pleaſed to guide me in my journey; preſerving me from all perils and dangers, from ſudden and ſad accidents. Proſper my journey to Thy glory, and to all mine innocent purpoſes; and preſerve me from all ſin, that I may return in peace and holineſs, with Thy favour and Thy bleſſing, and may ſerve Thee with thankfulneſs and obedience all the days of my pilgrimage: and at laſt bring me to Thy heavenly kingdom, to dwell in Thy Preſence, and to ſing Thy praiſes to all eternity, through JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

In Time of Affliction.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL GOD, FATHER of mercies, and GOD of all comfort, wit

much mercy look upon the ſorrows and ſadneſſes of Thy ſervant. My ſins lie heavy upon me and preſs me ſore, and there is no health in my bones by reaſon of Thy diſpleaſure and my ſin. The waters are gone over me, and I ſtick faſt in the deep mire, and my miſeries are without comfort, becauſe they are puniſhments of my ſin: and I am ſo evil and unworthy a perſon, that though I have great deſires, yet I have no diſpoſitions or worthineſs toward receiving comfort. My ſins have cauſed my ſorrow, and my ſorrow does not cure my ſins: and unleſs for Thy own ſake, and merely becauſe Thou art good, Thou ſhalt pity me and relieve me, I am as much without remedy, as now I am without comfort. LORD, pity me; LORD, let Thy grace refreſh my ſpirit. Let Thy comforts ſupport me, Thy mercy pardon me, and never let my portion be amongſt hopeleſs and accurſed ſpirits: for Thou art good and gracious; and I throw myſelf upon Thy mercy. Let me never let my *hold go, and do* Thou with me what ſeems *good in Thine* own eyes. I cannot ſuffer

more than I have deſerved: and yet I can need no relief ſo great as Thy mercy is; for Thou art infinitely more merciful than I can be miſerable; and Thy mercy, which is above all Thy own works, muſt needs be far above all my ſin and all my miſery. O Bleſſed Jesus, let me truſt in Thee for ever, and let me never be confounded. *Amen.*

In Time of Trouble.

Bp. Wilſon.

O MERCIFUL God, Who in Thy wiſe Providence, doſt ſo order even natural events, that they ſerve both for the good of the univerſe, and for the conviction of particular ſinners, ſo that men ſhall have reaſon to acknowledge Thy glorious attributes; I do with great ſorrow of heart, but with all ſubmiſſion to Thy good pleaſure, confeſs Thy mercy as well as juſtice to me in the judgments, afflictions, ſorrows of this day.

I acknowledge Thy voice, O Merciful God, I acknowledge my own tranſgreſ-

ſions, which have provoked Thee to ſpeak to me after this manner, and at this very time. O LORD, give me true repentance for all the errors of my life, and particularly for that which was, in all probability, the occaſion of this affliction. Bleſſed be GOD, that my puniſhment was not as great as my crime. Bleſſed be GOD, that He has given me time to repent of the ſin that provoked Him to deal with me after this manner. Bleſſed be GOD, that when He ſpake to me once, yea twice, that I regarded it at laſt. Good GOD of mercy, give me grace that I may not provoke Thee any more to repeat this word to me, but that I may faithfully perform thoſe vows which are upon me. This I cannot do without Thy gracious aſſiſtance, which I moſt humbly beſeech Thee to vouchſafe me, for JESUS CHRIST's ſake, Who by His merits has purchaſed this grace for all that faithfully aſk it of Thee; for His ſake, O merciful GOD, grant me this grace. Amen.

I do with all humility, accept of the *puniſhment of* mine iniquities. I will

hold my peace, and not open my mouth, becauſe it is Thy doing and my deſervings. I know, O LORD, that it is good for me to be in trouble, or Thou wouldſt not ſuffer it ſo to be.

Let Thy merciful kindneſs be my comfort, according to Thy promiſe to all that love and ſerve Thee. *Amen, Amen.*

For Patience in Time of Trouble.

Bp. Wilſon.

O GOD, Who ſeeſt all our weakneſſes, and the troubles we labour under, have regard unto the prayers of Thy ſervant, who ſtands in need of Thy comfort, Thy direction, and Thy help. Grant that I may ſuffer like a Chriſtian, and not grieve like an unbeliever; that I may receive troubles as puniſhments due to my paſt offences, as an exerciſe of my faith, and patience, and humility, and as a trial of my obedience; and that I may improve all my afflictions to the good of my ſoul, and Thy glory.

Thou alone knoweſt what is beſt for

us: let me never dispute Thy wisdom o
Thy goodness.

Direct my reason, subdue my passions
put a stop to my roving thoughts and fears
and let me have the comfort of Thy pro-
mise, and of Thy protection, both now
and ever, for JESUS CHRIST's sake. *Amen*

Prayer for Patience.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL GOD, Thou hast made
me and sustained me: Thou hast
blessed me in all the days of my life, and
hast taken care of me in all variety of ac-
cidents; and nothing happens to me in
vain, nothing without Thy Providence;
and I know Thou smitest Thy servants in
mercy, and with designs of the greatest
pity in the world: LORD, I humbly lie
down under Thy rod; do with me as
Thou pleasest: do Thou choose for me,
not only the whole state and condition of
being, but every little and great accident
of it. Keep me safe by Thy grace, and
then use what instrument Thou pleases

of bringing me to Thee. LORD, I am not ſolicitous of the paſſage, ſo I may get to Thee. Only, O LORD, remember my infirmities, and let Thy ſervant rejoice in Thee always, and feel and confeſs, and glory in Thy goodneſs. O be Thou as delightful to me in this my medicinal ſickneſs, as ever Thou wert in any of the dangers of my proſperity: let me not peeviſhly refuſe Thy pardon at the rate of a ſevere diſcipline. I am Thy ſervant and Thy creature, Thy purchaſed poſſeſſion, and Thy ſon: I am all Thine: and becauſe Thou haſt mercy in ſtore for all that truſt in Thee, I cover mine eyes, and in ſilence wait for the time of my redemption. *Amen.*

Prayer for one who is Preparing for Confirmation.

Mr. Nelſon.

MOST Merciful GOD, by Whoſe gracious Providence I was born of Chriſtian parents, and early dedicated to *Thee in* Holy Baptiſm, wherein I was

made a member of the Catholic Church, whereof JESUS CHRIST was the Head, adopted Thy child, and entitled to the unſpeakable happineſs of Thy glorious Kingdom; I moſt heartily thank Thee for calling me to this ſtate of ſalvation, and for beſtowing upon me ſuch bleſſed privileges. O diſpoſe my mind, by Thy heavenly grace carefully and diligently to perform thoſe conditions Thou requireſt, to qualify me for ſuch ineſtimable benefits, and that I may continue in the ſame unto my life's end.

And now, O LORD, that I am preparing myſelf to receive a further degree of Thy grace and favour, which will advance me into the number of the faithful, by being admitted to approach Thy Holy Table: I humbly beſeech Thee to enlighten my mind with the true knowledge and underſtanding of that ſolemn vow which I made at my Baptiſm, and which I am now about to ratify and confirm publicly in Thy Preſence; that I may conſtantly renounce the *devil, by avoiding* all thoſe temptations *with which he ſeeks* to deſtroy me, and by

abſtaining from all thoſe ſins which partake moſt of his diabolical nature; that I may reſiſt all covetous deſires of honour, riches, and pleaſure, and all thoſe evil cuſtoms and maxims of the world, which alienate men's minds from the love of God; that I may mortify all the inordinate appetites of my own corrupt nature; that I may believe all Thy holy revelations, and keep Thy bleſſed will and commandments all the days of my life.

Give me, O Lord, unfeigned repentance for all my paſt errors; that the many and great ſins which I have committed, may not deprive me of the aſſiſtances of Thy Holy Spirit, which I am about to receive: but let my hearty ſorrow, through the merits of Christ, waſh away all that is paſt; and let power and ſtrength communicated to me from above, mortify and ſubdue them for the time to come. I am unable, O Lord, of myſelf to help myſelf; mercifully grant that Thy Bleſſed Spirit may in all things rule my heart; that, by His holy inſpiration, I may think *thoſe* things that are good, and by His

gracious guiding may perform the ſame, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Young Perſon.

Spinckes.

O LORD, foraſmuch as I am at theſe years, in the heat of the fleſh, and in the moſt dangerous time of my life, I beſeech Thee, take not Thy mercy and Fatherly Providence from me; but, by how much the greater danger of falling I am in, with ſo much the more care let Thy grace preſerve me, leſt I become a prey to the enemies of my ſoul, who aſſault me with ſo many temptations, that without Thy ſuccour I ſhall never, of myſelf, be able to overcome them. But, O Merciful FATHER, diſtruſting my own ſtrength, I betake myſelf wholly to Thy protection; and deſire Thee, both now and ever, to keep me. Let me not get that habit of ſinning in my younger years, *that I be forced* in my age (if I be not cut *off before in my* offences) to bewail the *ſins of my youth*, in the bitterneſs of

ſoul; but rather accuſtom me, from this time forward, to all goodneſs, that I may daily more and more profit therein; and that ſerving Thee with a pure heart now, I may be able in my age to ſay with good King Hezekiah, "O LORD, remember, I beſeech Thee, how I have walked before Thee in truth, with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in Thy ſight." Moſt loving FATHER, Who takeſt care of all men, I commend unto Thee my ſoul, as a child, that can of himſelf do nothing; defend me, I pray Thee, from all mine enemies, ſpiritual and temporal; keep my body and ſoul pure, chaſte, and undefiled; that I offend not, either in obſcene ſpeech, impure thought, or unclean act. My chaſtity is a more precious jewel than I can keep, without Thy help: I therefore beſeech Thee, Who haſt pronounced a bleſſing to the pure in heart, to keep my heart pure: be Thou my guide and preſerver, leſt in the heat of concupiſcence I forget Thee. Give me grace, *O LORD*, to ſerve Thee in peace and holineſs, all the days of my life, and at the

laſt reſt with Thee in Thy heavenly Kingdom, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Young Man's Prayer.

King Edward's Primer.

O LORD, Thou haſt commanded by Thy holy Apoſtle that every one ſhould know how to keep his body in ſanctification and honour; and not in the luſt of concupiſcence, as do the heathen which know not GOD. I beſeech Thee, give me grace to behave myſelf according to this Thy holy commandment; that knowing my body to be the temple of the HOLY GHOST, and that I am not my own, I may ſo order myſelf with all honeſty and pureneſs of life, that I may glorify Thee, my LORD GOD, both in body and ſpirit. *Amen.*

A Young Woman's Prayer.

King Edward's Primer.

THERE is nothing that becometh a woman better than ſilence, mo-

deſty, and chaſtity of both body and mind. I therefore moſt humbly beſeech Thee, O merciful FATHER, from Whom cometh every good and perfect gift; and without Whom we are able to do nothing, that Thou wilt ſo order my tongue, and diſpoſe my talk, that I may ſpeak nothing but what ſhall become my ſtate, age, and perſon; neither delight to hear any words that may move me to wickedneſs; ſeeing that evil communications corrupt good manners. Give me alſo ſuch modeſty, as may pluck me away from delighting in thinking, ſpeaking, hearing, ſeeing, or doing evil; that my whole delight may be in virtue, in godlineſs, in avoiding idleneſs, in giving myſelf continually to ſome godly exerciſe; but, above all things, in thinking and ſpeaking of Thee, in relating Thy bleſſed Word, and heavenly law, which is a lantern to my feet and a light to my paths; and give me grace ſo to order myſelf, in avoiding idleneſs and wicked company, that, my mind being free from evil paſſions, I may be found a meet temple for the HOLY GHOST to inhabit: unto

the praiſe, honour, and glory of Thy Bleſſed Name, O LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Married Man.

Bp. Andrewes.

O GRACIOUS FATHER, Maker and Preſerver of Heaven and earth, Who in the beginning didſt inſtitute matrimony, thereby foretelling the myſtical union of the Church with our SAVIOUR CHRIST, Who, in the time of His being upon earth, did honour marriage, with His firſt miracle; and haſt appointed it alſo for a means whereby mankind is propagated, for a remedy to avoid unlawful luſt, and for the mutual comfort and conſolation of Thy children; I humbly entreat Thee to give me the aſſiſtance of Thy Divine grace, that I may live according to Thy commandments with my wife, whom Thou haſt given me for my help and comfort in this world. Mortify in me all unclean, diſhoneſt, and fleſhly luſts; let not the heat of unlawful concupiſcence take

hold of me, but make me to be fully pleaſed and ſatisfied with her love, and to love her as CHRIST loved His Church, to cheriſh and comfort her as mine own body, and to have as great a care of her health, as of mine own. Grant that we may live in peace, without debate; in unity, without diſcord; like members of one body, equally deſirous to praiſe Thy Holy Name. And give us, O LORD, diſcreet hearts, and underſtanding minds, to bring up our children in Thy faith and fear, in a religious, honeſt, and civil manner. Give them obedient hearts to Thee and to Thy commandments, and to all that Thou requireſt of them to be performed, in duty, towards their parents. Keep them from thoſe which are ready to ſeduce them; and ſo lead them in Thy faith, fear, and knowledge, that they prove not a curſe, but a bleſſing unto us; and thereby attain to that bleſſing which Thou haſt promiſed to thoſe who honour and obey their parents. Grant, likewiſe, O LORD, that I may guide and inſtruct the family which *is under* me in Thy fear: and in an honeſt

and careful manner, provide as well for their bodies as their ſouls. And give them the like grace, O LORD, to perform their duties in fear and obedience, not as eye-ſervants, but in ſimplicity of heart, as in Thy ſight. And give us, O LORD, a competency of eſtate, to maintain ourſelves, children, and family, according to that rank of calling wherein Thou, of Thy goodneſs, haſt placed us, without exceſs, riot, or vain glory, and in ſingleneſs and pureneſs of heart; with all humility relying upon Thy bleſſed will, Who knoweſt better than we ourſelves what is needful for us. Grant this, O LORD, for JESUS CHRIST's ſake; to Whom with Thee, and the HOLY GHOST, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be said by a New-Married Wife.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL GOD, the Father of wiſdom and mercy, Thou haſt been my guide and my defence all my days;

Thou didſt take me from my mother's womb, and didſt conduct me through the varieties of my life with much mercy, and the iſſues of a loving and wiſe Providence; I bleſs Thy Name, O LORD, for all Thy diſpenſations; Thou haſt done all things with infinite goodneſs and infinite wiſdom; Thou haſt kept me from the effects of Thy wrath, and the evils of my own infirmities; Thou didſt defend me from evils by the guard of Angels, and didſt lead me into good by the conduct of Thy HOLY SPIRIT: Thou haſt always heard my prayer, ever being more ready to bleſs me than I to aſk it: Thou haſt ſaid unto me, 'I will never leave thee nor forſake thee;' be therefore graciouſly pleaſed to hear the prayer of Thine handmaid, that I may have the aids of an excellent Providence and a mighty grace to do my duty in all my relations, in all varieties and changes of the world, until my great change ſhall come. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Married Woman.

Spinckes.

O MERCIFUL and loving LORD GOD Who, in the beginning, for the propagation of mankind, didſt take Eve out o the ſide of Adam, and give her to him a a helper; I give Thee humble thanks that Thou haſt vouchſafed to call me t the honourable ſtate of matrimony. Giv me grace, O LORD, that I may lead a lif worthy thereof; that I may love my huſband with a pure and chaſte love, acknowledge him for my head, and truly reverence and obey him in all good things; that thereby I may pleaſe him, and live quietly with him. Help me, O LORD, that I may, under him, prudently and diſcreetly guide and govern his houſehold and family; and careſully look, that nothing be either careleſsly waſted, or wickedly committed in my houſe. Fit me with thoſe good graces which the wiſe man deſcribeth in a good woman, and S. Peter in *holy and ſanctified* matrons. Give me *ſuch a care* concerning the education o

my children, as belongeth to my part; that I may live to ſee them proſper in this life, and afterwards be received with them to Thy eternal kingdom, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Fruitfulness.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MOST gracious and eternal GOD, FATHER and LORD of all the creatures, Thou didſt ſanctify marriage in the ſtate of innocence, in the dwellings of paradiſe, and didſt deſign it for the production of mankind, and didſt give it as one of the firſt bleſſings of mankind. O be pleaſed to look upon Thy handmaid who waits for Thy mercy, and humbly begs of Thy infinite goodneſs to make me partaker of that bleſſing which Thou didſt deſign to all the ſons and daughters of Adam; Thou, O GOD, haſt the keys of heaven and hell, of rain and providence, of the womb and the grave; O let not Thy ſervant feel the curſe of dry breaſts and a barren womb; but make me a joy-

ful mother of children; that Thy handmaid may ſerve Thee in increaſing the number of Thy redeemed ones, and may miniſter bleſſings to this family into which Thou haſt adopted me, and may bring comfort to my dear huſband, whom do Thou bleſs and love, and ſanctify for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be used by Women with Child.

Bp. Coſin.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of all mercy and comfort, of Whoſe only gift it is, that the womb becometh fruitful: graciouſly behold me, Thine humble and unworthy handmaid; that as by Thy good Providence I have conceived a child within my womb, into which Thou haſt breathed a ſpirit of life, ſo, by Thy continual aid, I may be preſerved with it from all perils; and at the fulneſs of my time may ſafely bring forth into the world, to the joy and comfort of my own ſoul, and to the glory of Thy Holy Name, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. *Amen.*

For Women Labouring with Child.

Spinckes.

O ETERNAL GOD, Thou FATHER of Lights, from Whom cometh every good and perfect gift, and Who haſt promiſed to hearken to thoſe that call upon Thee in their neceſſities, hear the ſupplications of Thine handmaid, who feel my travail coming upon me, and cry unto Thee in the anguiſh of my ſoul. The faſter my pangs come upon me, the more I beg Thou wilt exert Thy ſtrength for my eaſe, that I be not overwhelmed with the weight of them. Conſider my impotency, and ſupport and deliver me; forſake me not when my ſtrength faileth me, when my ſpirits faint and I cannot bear the burden of my ſorrows without Thy aſſiſtance. Forgive my ſins, O LORD, and moderate my pains, if it be Thy bleſſed will. As Thou haſt given me power to conceive, grant me likewiſe ſtrength to bring forth, that I may be a joyful mother of a child, endued with a ſound and *perfect* body, complete in all its parts, and

fitted for all its proper operations; and with an underſtanding capable, at length, of knowing Thee, and a will diſpoſed, in due time, to fear and love Thee. Grant that we may both ſerve Thee faithfully in our generation; and whenſoever Thou ſhalt ſee fit to take either of us out of this world, be graciouſly pleaſed to make us partakers of Thine everlaſting kingdom, for the love of JESUS CHRIST our LORD; to Whom with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Widow.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL GOD, moſt gracious LORD, and my moſt merciful FATHER, Thou art my refuge and my hope, my ſanctuary and my rock, my guardian and protector, all my days. I have offended Thee, and Thou haſt ſmitten me: I have deſerved very much evil, and Thou *haſt corrected me* with the gentle viſita*tion of a father's* rod: and though Thy

hand is heavy, and Thy rod preſſeth me ſore, by reaſon of my own weakneſs and infirmities, yet when I conſider how little I ſuffer in reſpect of what I have deſerved, I cannot but adore Thy goodneſs, and delight in Thy mercies, and run for help and comfort, ſupport and conduct, to that hand which ſmites me. O my God, give me patience under Thy afflicting hand: for my impatience, I fear, hath provoked Thee to anger, and hath doubled my own calamity; and ſince my duty is my proper cure, and will make Thy hand eaſy, and Thy anger little; give Thy ſervant a quiet and a reſigned, an humble and a meek ſpirit, that I may not become mine own tormentor, and my ſin may not be my own puniſhment.

Preſerve me Thy ſervant from all evil, lead me into all good; change my ſorrows into comforts, my infirmity into ſpiritual ſtrength; take all iniquity from me, and let Thy ſervant never depart from Thee. I am Thine, O ſave me; I am Thine, ſanctify me and preſerve me for ever: that *neither life* nor death, health nor ſickneſs,

prosperity nor adversity, weakness within nor cross accidents without, may ever separate me from the love of GOD, which is in CHRIST JESUS our LORD. *Amen.* Blessed JESUS, *Amen.*

For Health.

Bp. Cosin.

O GOD, the FATHER of Lights, from Whom cometh down every good and perfect gift; mercifully look upon my frailty and infirmity, and grant me such health of body, as Thou knowest to be needful for me; that both in my body and soul I may evermore serve Thee with all my strength and might, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Blessing on the Use of Medicine.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MOST Blessed and Eternal JESUS, the great Physician of our souls, *the Sun of* righteousness arising with heal*ing in Thy* wings, Who disposest every

at and little accident to the glory of
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e and ſerve Him; be pleaſed to bleſs
miniſtry of Thy ſervant in order to
ne eaſe and health, direct his judgment,
ſper the medicines, and diſpoſe the
nces of my ſickneſs fortunately, that I
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he living and to Thy ſolemn aſſemblies,
nay praiſe Thee and Thy goodneſs ſe-
tly among the faithful, and in the con-
gation of the redeemed ones, here in the
er courts of the LORD, and hereafter in
ine eternal Temple. *Amen.*

In Priſon.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, have mercy upon me, and bring my ſoul out of priſon, that I
y give thanks unto Thy Name, even in
us CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

O *LORD*, bleſſed is the man that hath

Thee for his help, and whoſe hope is in Thee. O LORD, help me and all them to right that ſuffer wrong. Thou art the LORD, Which looſeſt men out of priſon, Which helpeſt them that are fallen. O LORD, help and deliver me, when and as it ſhall ſeem beſt to Thee, even for JESUS CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

O LORD, Thine indignation lies hard upon me; and though Thou haſt not (for Thy mercy is great) vexed me with all Thy ſtorms, yet Thou haſt put my acquaintance far from me, and I am ſo faſt in priſon that I cannot get forth. LORD, I call daily upon Thee; hear, and have mercy, for JESUS CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

O LORD, Thou Which bringeſt the priſoners out of captivity, while Thou letteſt the runagates continue in ſcarceneſs; have mercy upon me, and deliver me out of the priſon and affliction in which I now am; and give me grace, that being free, I may faithfully and freely ſerve Thee all the days of my life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Martyrdom.

Abp. Laud.

LORD, make me remember the bones of Thy Saints, how they lie ſcattered before the pit, even as when one heweth wood upon the earth. O LORD, mine eyes look unto Thee, in Thee is my truſt, O caſt not out my ſoul. And if my bones alſo muſt be broken, O LORD, I beſeech Thee, give me courage and abundance of patience, that no torment may make my faith fall away from Thee, for JESUS CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Grace of Habitual Preparation for Death.

Hele.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, the FATHER of the ſpirits of all fleſh! Whoſe never-failing Providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth, I deſire with the deepeſt humility and reverence to proſtrate both ſoul and body before Thee, begging *that* Thou wouldſt give me grace to make

a right uſe and improvement of all Thy diſpenſations towards myſelf and all mankind. I acknowledge it of Thy bounty alone that I had my being; and I adore Thy mercy and long-ſuffering for preſerving me thus long in the land of the living. My many days and years of health and comfort were Thy gift; and my deliverances out of the troubles and dangers wherewith I have at any time been afflicted, as well as the prevention of thoſe which I have never felt, are owing to Thee alone. Man doth not live by bread and care, but by the word and bleſſing which proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Grant me, I beſeech Thee, a due ſenſe of mine entire dependence upon Thee, and grace to behave myſelf in conformity thereto. Inſpire me with that true and heavenly wiſdom, which may help me to diſcern aright the reaſons, and enable me to anſwer the ends of all Thy dealings with me; that in all conditions I may ſubmit myſelf entirely to Thy good pleaſure, and glorify God in the day of viſitation.

And ſince it is appointed for all men once to die, and after that the judgment; ſuffer me not, I pray Thee, to forget that I am a ſtranger upon earth; but help me to diſengage my heart from the things here below, which cannot profit in the day of wrath; that my hopes and mine affections may be unalterably fixed upon thoſe better things above, thoſe eternal treaſures which Thou haſt prepared for them that love Thee. Let the thoughts and certain expectation of death and judgment be ſo conſtantly, ſo powerfully preſent to my ſoul, that in what hour ſoever my LORD ſhall come, I may be found ready to meet Him, and to go in with Him to the marriage. Even ſo, O Bleſſed JESUS, grant me in ſuch manner to paſs through things temporal, that I finally loſe not the things eternal, but may faithfully uſe and improve Thy grace here, till grace at laſt be conſummated in glory, and I tranſlated to my Maſter's joy. All which I beg for Thine own merit's ſake, mine only Mediator and Redeemer; to Whom with the *FATHER*, and the HOLY SPIRIT, be aſcribed,

as is moſt due, all honour and glory, dominion and power, thankſgiving and praiſe, and humble adoration, henceforth and for evermore. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Blessed Death.

Hele.

O ETERNAL and everlaſting GOD, Who didſt at firſt breathe into man the breath of life; and when Thou takeſt away that breath he dies, and is turned again to his duſt; look with compaſſion, I beſeech Thee, upon me Thy creature; and let Thy good Spirit work in me whatſoever Thou ſeeſt wanting to fit and prepare me for the time of my diſſolution.

Give me that ſincere and earneſt repentance, to which Thou haſt promiſed mercy and pardon. Wean my heart from the world, and all its fading vanities; and make me to pant after thoſe more excellent and durable joys which are at Thy right hand for ever. LORD, lift Thou up *the light of* Thy countenance upon me: *and in all the* pains of my body, and all

the agonies of my ſpirit, let Thy comforts refreſh my ſoul, and enable me patiently to wait till my change come.

And grant, O LORD, that when mine earthly houſe of this tabernacle is diſſolved, I may have a building of GOD, a houſe not made with hands, eternal in the heavens; and that for His ſake, Who by His precious death hath purchaſed for all believers a ſure and certain title to everlaſting life, JESUS CHRIST, Thine only SON our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Peace and Comfort in the Hour of Death.

Hele.

O ALMIGHTY LORD, FATHER of mercies, and GOD of all comfort, our only help in time of need; I beſeech Thee to accept the devout prayers and ſupplications which I now offer up to Thy Divine Majeſty, with reſpect to the time of my greateſt extremity, the laſt and moſt important conflict of my life. Do *Thou, then,* O LORD, look graciouſly upon *Thy ſervant,* and viſit me with Thy ſal-

vation: ſend me help from above, ar
deliver me from the ſnares and terrors
the wicked one: ſuſtain mine agonies wi
the peaceful comforts of a quiet and goc
conſcience, and of perfect reconciliatic
with Thee my God. Lord, as Thc
bringeſt me nearer to Thyſelf, ſo let m
love and my deſires of Thee be ſtronge
And oh! that it may pleaſe Thee in Thi
abundant mercy, to afford me ſome ſwe
foretaſte of future bliſs, that I may triump
even in death itſelf. But if in this I kno
not what I aſk, yet at leaſt ſuffer not m
faith to be ſhaken, nor Thy loving-kinc
neſs to fail. And however Thou deale
with this corruptible body, let my ſoul,
beſeech Thee, be precious in Thy ſight
and the more the outward man decay
ſtrengthen me ſo much the more contir
ually with Thy grace and Holy Spiri
in the inner man. Give me unfeigne
repentance for all the errors of my pa
life, and ſtedfaſt faith in Thy Son Jesu
that my ſins may be done away by Th
mercy, and my pardon ſealed in Heave
before I go hence and be no more ſeen.

In Thy mercy, O LORD, I put my full truſt; in Thy mercy alone, and in the merits and ſufferings of my crucified SAVIOUR. So fit and prepare me, I beſeech Thee, for the hour of death, that my departure hence may be in peace, and in Thy favour, and my ſoul may be received into thoſe heavenly habitations, where the ſouls of them that ſleep in the LORD JESUS enjoy perpetual reſt and felicity; and that at the reſurrection of the juſt my body may be re-united to my ſoul, and faſhioned like unto CHRIST's glorious Body; and I may be admitted into the everlaſting kingdom of glory; through the merits and mediation of JESUS CHRIST, Thine only SON, our LORD and SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Holy and Happy Death.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL and Holy JESUS, Who by Thy Death haſt overcome death, and by Thy Paſſion haſt taken out its ſting, *and made it* to become one of the gates of *heaven,* and an entrance to felicity; have

mercy upon me now, and at the hour of my death. Let Thy grace accompany me all the days of my life, that I may, by a holy converſation, and an habitual performance of my duty, wait for the coming of our LORD, and be ready to enter with Thee at whatever hour Thou ſhalt come. LORD, let not my death be in any ſenſe unprovided, nor untimely, nor haſty, but after the manner of men, having in it nothing extraordinary, but an extraordinary piety, and the manifeſtation of a great and miraculous mercy. Let my ſenſes and my underſtanding be preſerved entire till the laſt of my days; and grant that I may die the death of the righteous, free from debt and deadly ſin, having firſt diſcharged all my obligations of juſtice, leaving none miſerable and unprovided in my departure; but be Thou the portion of all my friends and relatives, and let Thy bleſſing deſcend upon their heads and abide there, till they ſhall meet me in the boſom of our LORD. Preſerve me ever in the *communion* and peace of the Church; and *bleſs my death*-bed with the opportunity

of a holy and a ſpiritual guide, with the aſſiſtance and guard of Angels, with the reception of the Holy Sacrament, with patience and dereliction of my own deſires, with a ſtrong faith, and a firm and humble hope, with juſt meaſures of repentance, and great treaſures of charity to Thee, my God, and to all the world; that my ſoul, in the arms of the Holy Jesus, may be depoſited with ſafety and joy, there to expect the revelation of Thy day, and then to partake the glories of Thy kingdom, O Eternal and Holy Jesus. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Good Answer in the Day of Account.

Hele.

O ALMIGHTY and Eternal God! the Creator of all things! Who haſt made my days upon earth as it were a ſpan long, and mine age even as nothing in reſpect of Thee; give me grace, I humbly beſeech Thee, to live under ſuch a conſtant ſenſe of my mortality, and

the ſhortneſs and uncertainty of this pre ſent life; that death may never ſurpri me in an hour when I am not aware; bu being always provided with oil in m lamp, I may be ready whenever the bride groom ſhall come, to enter with Him int the marriage feaſt; and receive a bleſſin among thoſe who watch and wait for th coming of their LORD; to Whom wit Thee and the HOLY GHOST, be all honou and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Prayer for a Joyful Resurrection.

Hele.

O MERCIFUL GOD, the FATHER o our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Who i the Reſurrection and the Life; in Whon whoſoever believeth ſhall live, though h die; and whoſoever liveth and believet in Him, ſhall not die eternally: I meekl beſeech Thee, O FATHER, to raiſe me fron the death of ſin unto the life of righte ouſneſs, that when I ſhall depart this lif *I may reſt in* Him, as all Thy faithful de *parted do;* and that at the general reſu

in the laſt day, I may be found
ɔle in Thy ſight, and receive the
which Thy well-beloved SON ſhall
ɔnounce on all that love and fear
ıying, "Come, ye bleſſed children
FATHER, receive the kingdom pre-
ɔr you from the beginning of the
' Grant this, I beſeech Thee, O
.l FATHER, through JESUS CHRIST,
liator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

**that we may be Entitled to the Bene-
f Christ's Sufferings and Death.**

Hele.

ETERNAL SON of GOD! the
ɔrightneſs of Thy FATHER's Glory,
: expreſs image of His Perſon!
ſſed for ever! Who, to ſave ſinful
aſt pleaſed to become man, and to
Thy life long a man of ſorrows,
uainted with grief! perſecuted, re-
.nd at laſt crucified as a malefactor!
bly with mercy behold Thy ſer-
/hom Thou haſt redeemed with
ɔſt precious Blood.

Thou that haſt taken away the ſins of th
world! Who haſt aboliſhed and overcom
death! and deſtroyed him that had th
power of it! Have mercy upon me: an
by Thy precious Death and Paſſion, de
liver me from this body of ſin and death

By the merit of Thy moſt bitter ſuffe
ings, by all the love Thou haſt ſhown t
the children of men, I humbly beſeec
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and intercede for me with the FATHE
that for Thy ſake He may be gracious un
me, and forgive me all my ſins, and li
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And grant, O Bleſſed SAVIOUR, that
may always bear in my mind ſuch a de
vout remembrance and feeling of Th
bitter Paſſion as may be a powerful pro
tection of my ſoul againſt all the aſſaul
of my ſpiritual adverſaries; and effectuall
engage me to crucify the fleſh with th
affections and luſts; and to run with pa
tience the race which Thou haſt ſet befo
me, evermore looking unto Thee, th
Captain of our ſalvation, Who waſt mad
perfect through ſuffering; and Who, f

the joy that was ſet before Thee, didſt endure the croſs, deſpiſing the ſhame, and art now ſet down on the right hand of the throne of glory.

And I beſeech Thee, O Bleſſed JESUS! let the ſenſe of Thy wonderful love in thus dying for my ſake inflame my ſoul with ſuch an invincible love of Thee, and with ſuch an ardent zeal for Thy glory, that if ever Thy Providence ſhould make it my duty, I may readily and cheerfully embrace death, though armed with the utmoſt terrors, rather than forſake Thee. Inſpire me with courage and reſolution from above, that no difficulties or dangers may ever affright me from Thy ſervice; and that the apprehenſion of them may never tranſport me beyond the bounds of Chriſtian decency and moderation. "LORD, whither ſhall I go? Thou haſt the words of eternal life!"

O let the firm belief of the immortal joys and the glorious rewards Thou haſt prepared for thoſe that ſuffer for Thee, *ſupport* me under all trials and tempta*tions*, that I may be a follower of the

who through faith and patience inherit the promiſes. Make me careful to *do* Thy holy will, that I may have comfort and joy, if need be, in *ſuffering* for it. Grant this, O Bleſſed LORD, Who didſt willingly lay down Thy life for me, and didſt riſe again from the dead, and now ſitteſt at the right hand of the FATHER, to intercede for all Thy faithful diſciples. *Amen.*

Prayers

for

Gifts, Graces, &c.

PART II.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness: and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."—Romans x. 9, 10.

PRAYERS FOR GIFTS, GRACES,

ETC.

For the Use of the Clergy.

Prayer for a Faithful Discharge of Ministerial Duties.

Hele.

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of every good gift, Who haſt appointed divers orders of miniſters in Thy Church, mercifully look upon me, Thy moſt unworthy ſervant, whom of Thy Divine Providence Thou haſt called to the holy office of the prieſthood; and vouchſafe me, I beſeech Thee, all thoſe gifts and graces of Thy Holy Spirit, which may enable me to perform the duties of my important calling, and to diſcharge aright the great truſt

committed to me in it. Give me, O LORD, the ſpirit of knowledge and underſtanding; that I may be apt to teach, and ſkilful to direct and bring up all thoſe, who are under my care, in the nurture and admonition of the LORD. Give me the ſpirit of wiſdom and counſel; that I may inſtruct with meekneſs, admoniſh with prudence, rebuke with authority, and adminiſter ſuitable aſſiſtance to their ſeveral neceſſities.

LORD, make me diligent and induſtrious in all parts of my ſacred functions; that I may give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine; that I may meditate on theſe things, and give myſelf wholly to them. Poſſeſs my mind with a juſt and tender regard for thoſe precious ſouls committed to my charge; that I may watch over them with a faithful and true heart, as one that muſt give an account; that I may do it with joy and not with grief. And becauſe the form of knowledge, and of godlineſs without the *power, will* neither be profitable to me, *nor to thoſe* that hear me; grant me Thy

grace, that I may take heed to myſelf as well as to my inſtructions; that while I teach others, I myſelf may not be a caſt-away; but may ſhow myſelf in all things a pattern of good works, an example to my flock in word, in converſation, in charity, in ſpirit, in faith, in purity; that my profiting may appear unto all for their edification. Neither pray I for myſelf alone, but for thoſe alſo over whom Thou haſt been pleaſed to appoint me Thy miniſter. Sanctify them, Holy FATHER, with Thy truth, and preſerve them in it; that not one of them may be loſt in the day of the LORD JESUS. Make them of quick underſtanding in the fear of the LORD, which is the beginning of wiſdom; that they may firſt ſeek Thy kingdom and the righteouſneſs thereof. And put Thy laws, I beſeech Thee, into their minds, and write them in their hearts, that they may all know Thee from the leaſt to the greateſt, and daily improve in this ſaving knowledge. Give them a ready apprehenſion and a retentive memory, that they may receive and keep all profitable inſtructions; and a

diligent and tractable disposition, that they may observe and practise them.

O LORD, bless and prosper our joint endeavours; and grant that after an honest and faithful discharge of our respective duties, in that state of life which Thou hast appointed for us, we may receive the end of our faith, even the salvation of our souls; through the merits and mediation of Thy Blessed SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Use of the Clergy.

Hele.

O LORD, Who hast been pleased of Thy special grace and favour to call me, Thy most unworthy servant, to the holy office of priesthood, and to entrust me with the cure of souls, give me grace, I humbly beseech Thee, diligently to discharge the weighty office which Thou hast called me to, and to be a faithful and industrious labourer in Thy vineyard. Enrich mine understanding with the knowledge of Thy truth; and so replenish my soul with the gifts and graces of Thy

bleſſed Spirit, that I may be thoroughly furniſhed to vindicate and defend the Apoſtolical doctrine and diſcipline of Thy holy Church, and to feed the flock which Thou haſt ſet me over, with the wholeſome food of Thy Word.

O LORD, help me to take diligent heed to my miniſtry, and conſcientiouſly to apply myſelf to fulfil all the duties of it. Give me a mind after Thine own heart, that I may delight to do Thy will, O my GOD: and whatever I do in word or deed, grant I may do it, not with eye-ſervice as a pleaſer of men, but with ſingleneſs of heart and a willing mind as the ſervant of CHRIST, Who will one day call me to a ſtrict account for every ſoul committed to my charge.

O Almighty and merciful LORD, Who knoweſt to how important and difficult a work Thou haſt called Thy ſinful and moſt unworthy ſervant, I humbly and earneſtly beſeech Thee to conſider my weakneſs, and the manifold temptations and dangers that encompaſs me on every ſide. And O let Thy HOLY SPIRIT of

ce be ever preſent with me to direct
l govern me, to ſtrengthen and aſſiſt
, to animate and invigorate me through-
: the whole courſe of my duty, and to
tify my ſoul with ſuch degrees of pa-
nce, and meekneſs, and prudence, and
ırage, and induſtry, that I may never
weary of doing the work of the LORD,
:auſe I know that my labour will not
in vain in the LORD.

And, O Thou, Who art the ſole Ruler
l Diſpoſer of the event and iſſue of all
man endeavours, give Thy bleſſing, I
ſeech Thee, to my labours, that they
ıy be inſtrumental to the advancement
Thy glory, the edification of Thy
ıurch, and the everlaſting ſalvation of
ne own ſoul, and the ſouls of many
ıers. LORD, hear my prayer for JESUS
ıRIST's ſake. *Amen.*

For the Use of the Clergy.

Bp. Wilſon.

LMIGHTY GOD, Who haſt made
me a guide to others, ſuffer me not

to go aſtray myſelf; give me grace that I may never follow the inclinations of corrupted nature, nor govern myſelf according to the maxims of an evil world; but give me the ſpirit, as well as the character, of a miniſter of JESUS CHRIST. O HOLY SPIRIT of grace, ſanctify my heart, that no baſe or impure thoughts, no mean and covetous affections, may lodge there. Govern my tongue, that no corrupt communication may proceed out of my mouth.

Guard my eyes, purify my hands, guide my feet. Conduct my whole life, that by all inſtances of a good example, I may lead the people committed to my care in the ways of truth, and of eternal life; and that no irregularity in my converſation may ever make my inſtructions ineffectual, or the ways of religion to be evil ſpoken of.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, without Whom we can do nothing, be Thou my advocate with GOD, as well as my example, that I may live and be as Thou wouldſt have me. *Amen.*

For the Use of the Clergy.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, as the rain cometh down from heaven, and returns not thither, but waters the earth, and makes it bud and bring forth, that it may give ſeed to the ſower, and bread to him that eateth; ſo let Thy word be that goeth out of my mouth, let it not return to me void, but accompliſh that which Thou wilt, and proſper in the thing whereto Thou haſt ſent it, that the people committed to my charge may go out with joy, and be led forth in peace to Thy freſheſt waters of comfort, in JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

O SON of GOD, Thou Which takeſt away the ſins of the world, have mercy upon me in this heavy charge. *Amen.*

For the Use of the Clergy.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O BLESSED JESU, Thou that art an *Eternal* Prieſt, and Interceſſor, and *the Fountain* of all ghoſtly good, have

mercy upon this parish which Thou hast concredited to my charge, LORD, I am unfit for so great a burden, but by Thy aid and gracious acceptance I hope for mercy, pardon, and assistance. O LORD, send Thy HOLY SPIRIT to dwell among us: let here be peace and charity, and true Catholic religion, and holy discipline. Comfort the comfortless, heal the sick, relieve the oppressed, enlighten the ignorant, correct the unruly, keep us all from all deadly sin: that so from Thy favour we may obtain blessings in our bodies, in our souls, in our estates, and a supply to all our necessities, till at last we attain, through Thy merits, to the full fruition of Thy everlasting glories, O Blessed Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Anniversaries.

A Prayer and Thanksgiving upon the Anniversary of one's Birth.

Bp. Cosin.

ALMIGHTY GOD, the FATHER and Maker of all things, by Who

bleſſed goodneſs I was fearfully and wonderfully made in my mother's womb, and unto Whoſe bleſſed Providence I have been left ever ſince I was born, and hung upon my mother's breaſt; I praiſe and magnify Thy glorious Name for this Thy great goodneſs towards me: moſt humbly beſeeching Thee that I may be taught to number my days, and to apply my heart unto wiſdom; that I may know to what end I was born, and had both body and life given me, even to ſerve Thee the Living God; that I may bewail my ſinful years paſt, and ſpend the reſt of my time here in a godly, righteous, and ſober life; that as I have now finiſhed —— years of my life in Thy favour, ſo I may continue and finiſh up the remainder of my days in Thy fear; and that, as Thou didſt upon this day take me out of my mother's womb to live here a little time, ſo Thou mayeſt at the laſt day take me out of my mother's womb again, even the grave and the worm of the earth, to live with Thee for ev *through* Jesus Christ our Lord. *Am*

Prayer on the Return of a Birthday.

Dr. Johnson.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, in Whose hands are life and death, by Whose will all things were created, and by Whose Providence they are sustained, I Thine unworthy servant return Thee most humble and hearty thanks for that Thou hast given me life, and that Thou hast continued it to this time; that Thou hast hitherto forborne to snatch me away in the midst of sin and folly, and hast permitted me still to enjoy the means of grace, and vouchsafed to call me yet again to repentance. Grant, O merciful Lord, that Thy call may not be vain; that my life may not be continued to increase my guilt, and that Thy gracious forbearance may not harden my heart in wickedness. Let me remember, O my God, that as days and years pass over me, I approach nearer to the grave where there is no repentance; and grant that by the assistance of Thy Holy Spirit I may so pass through this life, that I may obtain life everlastin

for the ſake of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

Prayer on a Birthday.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O BLESSED and eternal GOD, I give Thee praiſe and glory for Thy great mercy to me, in cauſing me to be born of Chriſtian parents, and didſt not allot to me a portion with miſbelievers and heathen that have not known Thee. Thou didſt not ſuffer me to be ſtrangled at the gate of the womb, but Thy hand ſuſtained me and brought me to the light of the world, and the illumination of baptiſm, with Thy grace preventing my election, and by an artificial neceſſity and holy prevention engaging me to the profeſſion and practices of Chriſtianity. LORD, ſince that, I have broken the promiſes made in my behalf, and which I confirmed by my after-act; I went back from them by an evil-life: and yet Thou haſt ſtill continued to me *life and time of* repentance; and didſt not *cut me off in the* beginning of my days,

and the progreſs of my ſins. O dereſt God, pardon the errors and ignorances, the vices and vanities of my youth, and the faults of my more forward years, and let me never more ſtain the whiteneſs of my baptiſmal robe: and now that by Thy grace I ſtill perſiſt in the purpoſes of obedience, and do give up my name to Christ, and glory to be a diſciple of Thy inſtitution, and a ſervant of Jesus, let me never fail of Thy grace; let no root of bitterneſs ſpring up, and diſorder my purpoſes and defile my ſpirit. O let my years be ſo many degrees of nearer approach to Thee: and forſake me not, O God, in my old age, when I am gray-headed; and when my ſtrength faileth me, be Thou my ſtrength and my guide unto death; that I may reckon my years, and apply my heart unto wiſdom; and at laſt, after the ſpending a holy and a bleſſed life, I may be brought unto a glorious eternity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer and Thanksgiving upon the Anniversary of our Baptism.

Bp. Cosin.

O LORD, Heavenly FATHER, Almighty and everlasting GOD, Who of Thine infinite goodness towards me, when I was born in sin, and was no other than an heir of everlasting wrath, didst vouchsafe that I should, as upon this day, be born again of water and the HOLY GHOST, in the blessed laver of Baptism, being thereby made a member of CHRIST, and an heir of eternal life: for this Thine inestimable favour I do here gratefully commemorate that happy day, and in most humble and hearty will, I do extol the abundant riches of Thy glorious grace, in Thy sight and in the sight of Thy Holy Angels, with all the company of heaven, renewing that sacred vow which was then made in my name, to forsake this wicked world, and to live as a Christian ought to do, in obedience to Thy holy faith and commandments; *most humbly* beseeching Thee of Thy *great mercy* to pardon me all former

breaches of my ſolemn promiſe, and to endue me with the aſſiſtance of Thy HOLY SPIRIT, that henceforth I may walk in newneſs of life, worthy of that bleſſed eſtate whereunto Thou haſt called me; and keeping myſelf unſpotted of the world, the fleſh, and the devil, I may die daily unto ſin, for which cauſe I was baptized into the death of CHRIST; and as I have had my part this day in the firſt regeneration, ſo I may at the laſt day have my part in the ſecond and great regeneration of the world, to live and reign with Thee for ever, through the merits of JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer on the Anniverſary of the Death of a Father.

Abp. Laud.

O ETERNAL GOD and merciful FATHER, with Whom do reſt the ſouls of them that die in Thy faith and favour; have mercy upon me, and grant that my life may be a preparation to die, and my death an entrance to life with Thee; as *upon this* day it pleaſed Thee to take my

dear father to Thy mercy, when I was yet young. O LORD, he was Thy ſervant, Thy meek, humble, faithful ſervant; and I aſſure myſelf he is in reſt, and light, and bleſſedneſs. LORD, while I am here behind, in my pilgrimage, ſhower down Thy grace upon me. Thou haſt been more than a father to me; Thou haſt not ſuffered me to want a father; no, not when Thou hadſt taken him from me. O be pleaſed to be a father ſtill, and by Thy grace to keep me within the bounds of a ſon's obedience. Thou haſt given me temporal bleſſings beyond deſert or hope; O be graciouſly pleaſed to heap ſpiritual bleſſings on me, that I may grow in faith, obedience, and thankfulneſs to Thee; that I may make it my joy to perform duty to Thee. And after my painful life ended, bring me, I beſeech Thee, to Thy joys, to Thy glory, to Thyſelf; that I and my parents, with all Thy Saints and ſervants departed this life, may meet in a bleſſed *glorious reſurrection*, ever to ſing praiſes *and honour to* Thee, in and through JESUS CHRIST *our* LORD. *Amen*.

Prayer on the Anniversary of the Death of a Christian Friend.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY God, with Whom do live the ſpirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, we adore Thy Majeſty, and ſubmit to Thy Providence, and revere Thy juſtice, and magnify Thy mercies, that it hath pleaſed Thee to deliver our *(brother or ſiſter)* whoſe departure on this day we call to mind, from the miſeries of this ſinful world; Thy counſels are ſecret, and Thy wiſdom infinite. With the ſame hand wherewith, as we humbly truſt, Thou haſt crowned *him*, Thou haſt ſmitten us; Thou haſt taken *him*, (as we have good hope) into the regions of felicity, and placed *him* among Saints and Angels, whilſt Thou haſt left us to mourn for our ſins and Thy diſpleaſure. Lord, turn Thine anger into mercy, Thy rod into comforts; and we humbly beſeech Thee of Thy gracious goodneſs ſhortly to ſatisfy the longing deſires of thoſe holy ſouls who *pray, and* wait, and long for Thy ſecond

. Accomplish Thou the number
ne elect, and fill up the mansions
ven which are prepared for all them
ove the coming of the LORD JESUS,
ve, with this our *brother*, and all others
ted this life in the obedience and faith
ne LORD JESUS, may have our perfect
ummation and bliss in Thy eternal
y, which shall never have ending.
ant this for JESUS CHRIST's sake, our
RD and SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

Acts of Faith.

"WITH THE HEART M
RIGHTEOUSNESS; AND WITH
SION IS MADE UNTO SALVATI

ACTS OF FAITH.

An Act of Faith.

Bp. Andrewes.

I BELIEVE in Thee, the FATHER:

Behold, then, if Thou be a FATHER, and we be children, like as a father pitieth his children, ſo pity Thou us, O LORD.

I believe in Thee, the LORD:

Behold, then, if Thou be LORD, and we be ſervants, our eyes wait upon Thee, our LORD, until Thou have mercy upon us.

I believe that, although we are neither children nor ſervants, but only dogs, we might yet be allowed to eat of

the crumbs which fall from Thy Table.

I believe that CHRIST is the Lamb of GOD:

O Lamb of GOD, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, take away mine alſo.

I believe that JESUS CHRIST came into the world to ſave ſinners:

Thou, Who cameſt to ſave ſinners, ſave me alſo, the firſt and the chief of ſinners.

I believe that CHRIST came to ſave that which was loſt:

Thou, Who cameſt to ſave that which was loſt, ſuffer not that to be loſt, which Thou haſt ſaved.

I believe that the HOLY GHOST is the LORD and Giver of life:

Thou, Who haſt given me a living ſoul, grant that I may not receive my ſoul in vain.

I believe that the SPIRIT imparteth grace in His holy myſteries:

Grant that I receive not His grace nor

the hope of His bleſſed ſacrament
vain.

I believe that the SPIRIT Himſelf m
interceſſion for us with groa
which cannot be uttered:

Of that His interceſſion, and of
His unutterable groanings, make me
taker, O LORD.

Our fathers truſted in Thee;
truſted, and Thou didſt deliver t
They cried unto Thee, and were
livered; they truſted in Thee, and
not confounded.

As in the old time Thou didſt d
our fathers, ſo likewiſe deliver us, O I
who put our truſt in Thee.

An Act of Faith.

Bp. Andre

I BELIEVE and acknowledge,
In the FATHER, His paternal
tion;
In the ALMIGHTY, His ſaving po
In the Creator, His Providence,

by the world is preſerved, governed, and perfected.

In JESUS, His ſalvation;

In CHRIST, His holy unction;

In the only SON, the adoption;

In the LORD, a maſter's care.

In His conception and nativity, the purification of our impure conception and nativity.

In His ſufferings, thoſe evils turned away, which we moſt righteouſly have deſerved.

In His croſs, the curſe of the law aboliſhed.

In His death, the ſting of death aboliſhed.

In His burial, our final corruption in the grave, aboliſhed.

In His deſcent, that we are ſaved from going whither we merit to go;

In His reſurrection, the firſt-fruits offered of them that ſleep;

In His aſcenſion, that He goeth to prepare a place for us;

In His ſeat at the right hand, His willingneſs *to* make interceſſion for us;

In His ſecond coming, His reception of His own to Himſelf;

In His judgment, the reward of every man according to his works.

In the HOLY GHOST His power from on high, ſecretly and inviſibly, yet effectually and undeniably, converting unto holineſs.

In the Church, the myſtical body of thoſe, who are called from all the quarters of the world unto a brotherhood in faith and godlineſs.

In the communion of Saints, the mutual participation in ſanctification, vouchſafed to every member of that myſtical body, unto an aſſurance of the remiſſion of ſins, and unto a hope of reſurrection from the dead, and of exaltation unto life eternal.

I truſt in Thy mercy, O GOD, for ever and ever.

How excellent is Thy loving-kindneſs, O GOD.

If I have any hope, it is in Thy mercy: let me not be aſhamed of this my hope.

An Act of Faith.

Bp. Andrews

I BELIEVE in Thee, O LORD.

The FATHER,
The WORD,
The SPIRIT,
} One GOD.

1. That by Thy Fatherly mercy
power all things were created.

That by Thy goodneſs and love tow
man all things are reſtored.

2. In Thy Word: Who for us
and for our ſalvation was made fleſh;
conceived, was born, ſuffered and was
cified, dead and buried; He deſcend
He roſe again, He aſcended, He ſat at
right hand; He ſhall return, and ren
unto every man.

3. That by the illumination and ope
tion of Thy HOLY SPIRIT, a peculiar pe
is called out of the whole world into
ſociety, unto belief of the truth, and
lineſs of converſation: that, in this Spi
we are made partakers of the commun
of Saints, of the remiſſion of ſins, in
life preſent; and that, in the ſame Sp

we assuredly look for the resurrection of the flesh, and life everlasting in the world to come.

This most holy faith, once delivered unto the Saints, I believe, O LORD; help Thou mine unbelief. Increase my little faith: and mercifully grant that I may love the FATHER for His goodness, and adore the ALMIGHTY for His power; that I may commit the keeping of my soul to Him in well-doing as unto a faithful Creator. Grant that I may share salvation of JESUS, unction of CHRIST, adoption of the only-begotten SON.

That I may worship the LORD, for His conception, in faith:

For His birth, in humility;

For His sufferings, in patience, and in hatred of sin;

For His cross in crucifying the first emotions of the flesh;

For His death, in mortifying the flesh;

For His burial, in burying evil thought by good works;

For His descent, in descending by frequent meditation into hell;

For His resurrection, in rising up unto newness of life;

For His ascension, in setting my affection on things above;

For His sitting at the right hand of the FATHER, in giving unto godliness the first place in my heart;

For His return from thence, in awe of His second coming;

For His judgment of the world, in judging myself that I be not judged by Him.

Grant, that I may receive from the SPIRIT the breath of saving grace,

That in the Church I may be partaker of election;

In the Holy Church, of sanctification;

In the Catholic Church, of communication;

And of a share in its sacraments and prayers, its fastings and groanings, its watchings and tears, its afflictions; unto an assurance of the remission of my sins, unto a hope of resurrection and translation *to eternal life.*

O Thou, that art the hope of all the

ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad ſea;

O Thou, in Whom our fathers truſted, and Thou didſt deliver them; in Whom they truſted, and were not confounded;

O Thou, that haſt been my hope from my youth; even when I was upon my mother's breaſts, upon Whom I was caſt from the womb; be Thou my refuge henceforth and for ever, and my portion in the land of the living.

My hope is in the goodneſs of Thy nature, in the excellency of Thy Names, in Thy types and figures, in Thy Word and works: let me not be aſhamed of my hope.

Acts of Intercession.

Bleſs
All that travel by land or by water,
All women labouring with child,
And thoſe that give ſuck;
All who ſerve in bitter ſervitude,
All the forſaken and heavy laden.
Amen.

General Intercession.

Bp. J. Taylor.

) GOD of infinite mercy, Who haſt compaſſion on all men, and re-
reſt the neceſſities of all that call to
ıee for help, hear the prayers of Thy
vant, who is unworthy to aſk any pe-
on for himſelf, yet, in humility and
ty, is bound to pray for others.

For the Church.

O let Thy mercy deſcend upon the
ıole Church; preſerve her in truth and
ıce, in unity and ſafety, in all ſtorms,
d againſt all temptations and enemies;
t ſhe, offering to Thy glory, the never-
ing ſacrifice of prayer and thankſgiv-

ing, may advance the honour of her LORD, and be filled with His Spirit, and partake of His glory. *Amen.*

For the King.

In mercy remember the king; preſerve his perſon in health and honour; his crown, in wealth and dignity; his kingdom, in peace and plenty; the churches under his protection, in piety and knowledge, and a ſtrict and holy religion: keep him perpetually in Thy fear and favour, and crown him with glory and immortality. *Amen.*

For the Clergy.

Remember them that miniſter about holy things; let them be clothed with righteouſneſs, and ſing with joyfulneſs. *Amen.*

For a Wife or Huſband.

Bleſs Thy ſervant, [my wife or huſband] with health of body and of ſpirit. O let the hand of Thy bleſſing be upon his [or her] head, night and day, and ſupport him

in all neceſſities, ſtrengthen *him* in all temptations, comfort *him* in all *his* ſorrows, and let him be Thy ſervant in all changes; and make us both to dwell with Thee for ever in Thy favour, in the light of Thy countenance and in Thy glory. *Amen.*

For our Children.

Bleſs my children with healthful bodies, with good underſtandings, with the graces and gifts of Thy Spirit, with ſweet diſpoſitions and holy habits; and ſanctify them throughout in their bodies, and ſouls, and ſpirits, and keep them unblameable to the coming of the LORD JESUS. *Amen.*

For Friends and Benefactors.

Be pleaſed, O LORD, to remember my friends, all that have prayed for me, and all that have done me good. [Here name each, whom you would ſpecially recommend.] Do Thou good to them, and return all their kindneſs double into their own boſom, rewarding them with bleſſings, and ſanctifying them with Thy graces, and bringing them to glory.

For our Family.

Let all my family and k
neighbours and acquaintance
what other relations you ple
the benefits of my prayers, an
ings of God; the comforts a
of Thy Providence, and the f
of Thy Spirit.

For all in Misery.

Relieve and comfort all the
and afflicted; speak peace to t
sciences; strengthen the wea
the strong; instruct the ignor
the oppressed from him that s
and relieve the needy that hath
and bring us all, by the waters
and the ways of righteousness,
dom of rest and glory, through J
our Lord. *Amen.*

To God, the Father of our
Christ; to the Eternal Son,
incarnate and born of a vir
Spirit of the Father and the
honour and glory, worship an
ing, now and for ever. *Am*

General Intercession.

Bp. J. Taylor.

1.

SAVE us, defend and keep us in Tl fear and love, O Thou God of mer and grace; give unto us the light of Tl countenance, pardon of our ſins, health our body, ſanctification of our ſpirits, pea from heaven, and ſalvation of our ſouls the day of our Lord Jesus. *Amen.*

2.

For the Catholic Church.

Hear our prayers for Thy holy Chur Catholic, which Thou haſt redeemed w Thy Blood, ſealed and ſanctified with T Spirit: extirpate all hereſies and falſe d trines, unite all her diviſions, let her proſperous under Thy favour, and t protection of kings and princes, and t whole ſecular arm: that ſhe may da celebrate Thy Name, with ſtrict obe ence, and pure ſpiritual ſacrifices; tl ſhe may be accepted, and prevail in l *daily* and nightly prayers, and that t *gates of hell* may never prevail againſt h

Let her live in the Spirit, and
Thy glory; through JESUS CHR
LORD. *Amen.*

3.

For the Supreme Power.

We pray unto Thee, O Great K
heaven and earth, for all Christian
princes, governors, and states; crown
with justice and peace and with the
of GOD, and the love of their people;
holiness be the ornament of their he
invest them with the armour of rig
ousness; and let the anointing from ab
make them sacred and venerable, wise
holy, that being servants of the King
kings, friends of religion, ministers of
tice, and patrons of the poor, they m
at last, inherit a portion in the kingd
of our LORD JESUS.

4.

For the State Ecclesiastical.

Remember all them that do the Lo
work in the ministry and conduct of so
ive them great gifts and great holi
at wisely and charitably, diligently

zealoufly, prudently and acceptably, they may be guides to the blind, comforters to the fad and weary, that they may ftrengthen the weak and confirm the ftrong, feparate the vile from the precious, boldly rebuke fin, patiently fuffer for the truth, and be exemplary in their lives, that in all their actions and fermons, in their difcipline and miniftrations, they may advance the good of fouls, and the honour of our LORD JESUS. *Amen.*

5.

For all Orders and Eftates of Men, &c.

O Bleffed GOD, Who art rich in mercy and compaffion, take care of all ftates of men and women in the Chriftian Church, the nobility and gentry, magiftrates and judges, advocates and phyficians, merchants and artificers, hufbandmen and tradefmen, the labourers and the hirelings: give them grace in their feveral callings to glorify Thee, and to keep a good confcience both towards GOD and towards man, that they *may find* eternal comfort in the glorious *day of our* LORD JESUS.

6.

For the Miſerable and Afflicted.

In mercy remember the poor and needy, the widows and the fatherleſs, the ſtrangers and the friendleſs, the oppreſſed and the grieved, the decrepit and ſickly, the young men and the tempted, the weak of heart and the weak in body, them that languiſh and them that are dying; relieve their neceſſities, comfort their ſorrows, ſanctify their calamities, ſtrengthen their weakneſſes, and ſuffer not the devil to prevail over them in the days of their ſorrow and advantage: and in Thy due time, deliver them from their ſad bondage into the glorious liberty of the ſons of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7.

a guide to the travellers, a ſtar and to mariners, the comfort and ſtrength ners and galley-ſlaves. Pity, good all that are fallen into poverty and unes; ſtrengthen and deliver all that are in ſharp and dangerous all them that ſuffer with intoler-

able pains and noiſome diſeaſes: l
mercy and compaſſion upon all that
afflicted with illuſion of the night,
frightful apparitions; that are haunte
poſſeſſed with evil ſpirits, or trou
with deſpairing or amazed conſcien
give them pity and give them patienc
ſpeedy deliverance from their calamity,
a ſanctified uſe of the rod of God, thro
Jesus Christ our Lord.

8.

We pray unto Thee, O Bleſſed Fat
in behalf of all that are in baniſhment
captivity, in fetters or hard ſervices
want or extreme poverty, in great fea
in any great paſſion. Keep them f
ſinning againſt Thee, and from being f
lowed by too great a ſorrow. Let
accidents of their lives be under the c
mand of reaſon, and of Thy Holy Sp
and end in holineſs and comfort, in p
and joys eternal; through the mercie
our God, in our Lord and Saviour J
Christ. Amen.

9.

For Preſervation from Danger and Evil.

Keep us, O God, from famine and peſtilence, from earthquakes and inundations, from fire and ſword, from invaſion by foreign enemies, and from civil wars, from falſe religion and from diſcountenancing the true: let every Chriſtian ſoul find pity at the Throne of Grace: let all our errors and ignorances find pardon by Christ, and remedy by the Holy Spirit of Christ; hear all our prayers, relieve all our neceſſities, ſanctify all the events of Thy Providence, and the changes of our life, that we may for ever love and for ever fear Thee, and all things may work together for our good unto Thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For all Estates of Men.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O HOLY God, King Eternal, out of the infinite ſtorehouſes of Thy

grace and mercy, give unto all virgins chaſtity, and a religious ſpirit: to all perſons dedicated to Thee and to religion, continence and meekneſs, an active zeal and an unwearied ſpirit: to all married pairs, faith and holineſs; to widows and fatherleſs, and all that are oppreſſed, Thy patronage, comfort, and defence; to all Chriſtian women, ſimplicity and modeſty, humility and chaſtity, patience and charity; give unto the poor, to all that are robbed and ſpoiled of their goods, a competent ſupport, and a contented ſpirit, and a treaſure in heaven hereafter: give unto priſoners and captives, to them that toil in the mines, and row in the galleys, ſtrength of body and of ſpirit, liberty and redemption, comfort and reſtitution; to all that travel by land, Thy Angel for their guide, and a holy and proſperous return; to all that travel by ſea, freedom from pirates and ſhipwrecks, and bring them to the haven where they would be; to diſtreſſed and ſcrupulous conſciences, to melancholy and diſconſolate perſons, to all that are afflicted with evil and unclean ſpirits,

give a light from heaven, great grace, and proportionable comforts, and timely deliverance; give them patience and resignation, let their sorrows be changed into grace and comfort, and let the storm waft them certainly to the regions of rest and glory.

Lord God of mercy, give to Thy martyrs, confessors, and all Thy persecuted, constancy and prudence, boldness and hope, a full faith and a never-failing charity. To all who are condemned to death, do Thou minister comfort, a strong, a quiet, and a resigned spirit: take from them the fear of death, and all remaining affections to sin, and all imperfections of duty, and cause them to die full of grace, full of hope. And give to all faithful, and particularly to them who have recommended themselves to the prayers of Thy unworthy servant, a supply of all their needs temporal and spiritual, and, according to their several states and necessities, rest and peace, pardon and refreshment; and show us all a mercy in the day of judgment. *Amen.*

Give, O Lord, to the magistrates equity, *sincerity*, courage, and prudence, that they

may protect the good, defend religion, a
punish the wrong doers. Give to
nobility wisdom, valour, and loyalty;
merchants, justice and faithfulness; to
artificers and labourers, truth and honest
to our enemies, forgiveness and brothe
kindness.

Preserve to us the heavens and the
in healthful influence and disposition;
earth in plenty; the kingdom in peace a
good government; our marriages in pea
and sweetness and innocence of societ
Thy people from famine and pestilenc
our houses from burning and robber
our persons from being burnt alive: fr
banishment and prison, from widowhc
and destitution, from violence of pains a
passions, from tempests and earthquak
from inundation of waters, from rebelli
or invasion, from impatience and inor
nate cares, from tediousness of spirit a
despair, from murder, and all violent,
cursed, and unusual deaths, from the s
prise of sudden and violent accidents, fr
passionate and unreasonable fears, from
Thy wrath, and from all our sins, go

LORD, deliver and preſerve Thy ſervants for ever. *Amen.*

Repreſs the violence of all implacable, warring, and tyrant nations: bring home unto Thy fold all that are gone aſtray: call into the Church all ſtrangers: increaſe the number and holineſs of Thine own people: bring infants to ripeneſs of age and reaſon; confirm all baptized people with Thy grace and with Thy Spirit: inſtruct the novices and new Chriſtians: let a great grace and merciful Providence bring youthful perſons ſafely and holily through the indiſcretions, and paſſions, and temptations of their younger years: and to thoſe whom Thou haſt or ſhalt permit to live to the age of a man, give competent ſtrength and wiſdom; take from them covetouſneſs and churliſhneſs, pride and impatience; fill them full of devotion and charity, repentance and ſobriety, holy thoughts, and longing deſires after heaven and heavenly things; give them a holy and a bleſſed death, and to us all a joyful *reſurrection*, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

General Intercession in Times of Trouble.

Spinckes.

HOLY, Holy, Holy, LORD GOD of hosts, I, a miserable sinner, humbly acknowledge, that I am altogether unworthy to offer up any petition unto Thee: yet since Thou hast commanded us to make prayers and intercessions for all men, in obedience to Thy command, and in confidence of Thy unlimited goodness, I commend to Thy mercy and Divine Providence the wants and necessities of all mankind.

LORD, let it be Thy good pleasure to restore to Thy Catholic Church, primitive peace and purity, and to preserve it against the gates of hell.

Particularly, O LORD GOD, I implore Thy mercy for this sinful nation; for the iniquity of the land is exceeding great; and we have been unthankful under Thy blessings, incorrigible under Thy judgments, and unprofitable under all the means of grace: and what can we expect from Thee, but to drink deep of the

of Thy wrath? But, O LORD, in
midſt of judgment, remember mercy:
e favourable to Thy people, and give
ll grace to turn to Thee in weeping,
ng, and prayer; and to put a period
our provocations, that Thou mayeſt
a period to our puniſhment.

Defend the Church of England from
he aſſaults of ſchiſm, hereſy, or ſacri-
; and bleſs all its Biſhops, Prieſts, and
cons, with apoſtolical graces, exem-
lives, and ſound doctrine.

let it ever be Thy good pleaſure to
nd defend the Queen from all her
es; grant her a long and happy
over us; and endue her with all
gifts and graces which may make
error to all evil works, and a great
er of Thy glory. Bleſs her and all
l relations, with ſuch a meaſure of
l good things, as Thou knoweſt
ſt expedient for them, and crown
aſt with eternal glory.

to the privy-council, wiſdom
ve; to all magiſtrates, integrity
or religion; to the gentry and

commonality, pious and just, peaceable
loyal hearts: and to the whole nati
healthful, fruitful, and peaceful seaſ
To all Jews, Turks, Infidels, Atheiſts,
Heretics, give the grace of converſion
all wicked men, and malefactors, tim
repentance: to the diſconſolate, comfo
to the ſick, health; to thoſe that are
pain, eaſe; to the afflicted, patience;
the hungry, food; to the naked, raime
to the captive, liberty; and to the
preſſed, deliverance.

Thou, Who knoweſt the conditio
deſires, and wants of all men, ſuit T
graces and bleſſings to our ſeveral ne
ſities of ſoul and body; mercifully h
all our ſupplications: and thoſe thi
which, for our unworthineſs, we dare n
and for our blindneſs, we cannot
vouchſafe to give us, for the worthineſ
Thy SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Am*

General.

Queen Mary's Pri

O LORD JESU CHRIST, SON of
Living GOD, ſet Thine holy Paſſi

Croſs, and Death, between Thy judgment and our ſouls, both now, and at the hour of death. Vouchſafe to grant unto all mankind mercy and grace; to Thy holy Church peace and concord: and to us who are ſinners, life and joy everlaſting, Who liveſt and reigneſt with the FATHER and the HOLY GHOST world without end. *Amen.*

For the Catholic Church.

Abp. Laud.

GRACIOUS FATHER, I humbly beſeech Thee for Thy holy Catholic Church, fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is ſuperſtitious, rectify it; where anything is amiſs, reform it; where it is right, ſtrengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, furniſh it; where it is divided and rent aſunder, make up the breaches of it; O Thou Holy One of Iſrael. *Amen.*

For the Catholic Church.

Abp. Lau

O ETERNAL GOD and Merciful
THER, I humbly beſeech Thee b
Thy holy Catholic Church, wherefoe
ſpread upon the face of the whole ea
Good LORD, purge it from all athei
hereſy, ſchiſm, ſuperſtition, factious ma
tenance of groundleſs opinions; that
Faith, one LORD, one Baptiſm, may in
places be uniformly profeſſed, as T
Church is and can be but one. A
grant, good LORD, that I may be,
continue, a faithful, living, and a work
member under CHRIST the Head, in t
Church, the Body, all the days of
life, and through the hour of my dea
through the merits, and by the grace,
the ſame JESUS CHRIST, our LORD and o
SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

For the Church of England.

Abp. Lau

O MERCIFUL GOD, ſince Thou h
ordered me to live in theſe tim

in which the rents of Thy Church are grievous, I humbly beſeech Thee to guide me, that the diviſions of men may not ſeparate me either from Thee or it: that I may ever labour the preſervation of truth and peace; that where for and by our ſins, the peace of it ſucceeds not, Thou wilt yet accept my will for the deed, that I may ſtill pray, even while Thou granteſt not, becauſe I know Thou wilt grant it when Thou ſeeſt it fit. In the mean time bleſs, I beſeech Thee, this Church in which I live, that in it I may honour and ſerve Thee all the days of my life, and after this be glorified by Thee, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

For the Church of England.

Abp. Laud.

O MERCIFUL GOD, bleſs this particular Church in which I live; make it, and all the members of it, ſound in faith, and holy in life, that they may ſerve Thee, and Thou bleſs them, through *JESUS CHRIST* our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Church in Time of Trouble.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL GOD, Thou Preſerver of men, and the great lover of ſouls, have pity and compaſſion upon Thine afflicted handmaid, the Church of England. Thou haſt humbled us for our pride, and chaſtened us for our want of diſcipline. O forgive us all our ſins, by which Thou haſt been provoked to anger and jealouſy, to deſpiſe our ſorrows, and to arm Thyſelf againſt us.

Bleſſed GOD, ſmite us not with a final and exterminating judgment, call not the watchmen off from their guards, nor the Angels from their charges: let us not die by a famine of Thy word and Sacraments: if Thou ſmiteſt us with a rod of a man, Thou canſt ſanctify every ſtroke unto us, and canſt bring good out of evil, and delighteſt to do ſo: but nothing can bring us recompenſe if Thou hateſt us, and ſuffereſt the ſouls of Thy people to *periſh*.

Unite our hearts and tongues, take away

rit of error and diviſion from among
l ſo order all the accidents of Thy
ence, that religion may increaſe, and
votion may be great and popular,
uth may be encouraged and pro-
, and Thy Name glorified, and Thy
s comforted and inſtructed, that
Holy Spirit may rule, and all in-
may ſtoop and obey, publiſh and
e the honour of our Lord Jesus.

For the Church.

Lake.

MIGHTY God, Who haſt pur-
chaſed to Thyſelf an Univerſal
h, by the precious Blood of Thy
on; mercifully look upon that part
ı theſe kingdoms ſo miſerably ſhat-
nd diſtreſſed. I confeſs, O Lord,
is have juſtly deſerved that Thou
ſt remove Thy candleſtick from us,
ſome extraordinary judgment, make
orn and a by-word to the world:
beſeech Thee, reſerve thoſe plagues

e deſerved, and continue
hich we have hitherto en-
y the comfort of Thy Goſ-
y of Thy truth. O let not
s ever roar in the midſt of
tions, and ſet up their banners
ictory and conqueſt over us;
nd protect us with Thy mercy,
hy holy Church we may ſtill
ny Name, through JESUS CHRIST
. *Amen.*

For the Bishops.

Bp. J. Taylor.

MOST Bleſſed SAVIOUR JESUS, King
of heaven and earth, the Head and
ce of the Catholic Church, Who haſt
ointed Thy ſervants miniſters and ſtew-
s in the houſe of Thy FATHER, to give
ead to the hungry, and drink to them
at thirſt after the water of life, ſanctify
nd adorn with Thy gifts and graces, all
he ſpiritual guides and governors which
Thou haſt appointed over us; that they
may continue in Thy ſervice to comfor

the afflicted, to inſtruct the ignorant, to confirm the ſtrong, to defend and promote Thy truth, to intercede for Thy ſervants, to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers, and to ſhut up the diſobedient and rebellious in everlaſting priſons, by the keys of the kingdom, by Thy Word and Sacraments, by Thy power and by Thy SPIRIT; remove not the candleſtick from us, neither do Thou quench the light of Iſrael; but let Thy ſervants, our biſhops and prieſts, be like burning and ſhining lights in the temple of GOD, by a continual, never failing, never broken ſucceſſion, offering up the daily ſacrifice, rejoicing in the plenty of peace, and the employments of Thy houſe; in holy offices, and a daily miniſtration; that Thou being for ever pleaſed, and for ever glorified, we may be Thy peculiar people, a choſen generation, a royal prieſthood, clothed with righteouſneſs and ſinging with joyfulneſs eternal hallelujahs to the honour of GOD, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Priesthood.

Bp. J. Tayl

MOST Bleſſed and Eternal JESU, V
art a Prieſt for ever after the o
of Melchiſedec, and haſt ſeparated
ſervants to miniſter to Thee in holy off
and to convey holy things unto the peo
give unto all Thy ſervants, the miniſte
Thy Word and Sacraments, the ſpiri
prudence and knowledge, of faith
charity, of watchfulneſs and holy z
that they, as good helps in governm
may declare Thy will faithfully to t
congregations, and adminiſter the ſa
ments purely and devoutly, and by t
holy life become an example to Thy
flock, that ſo they, with cheerfulneſs
joy, may render an account of their cha
and may by Thy mercy obtain the b
ing of Thy prieſthood, and the glorie
Thy kingdom, O moſt bleſſed and ete
SAVIOUR, Who liveſt and reigneſt with
FATHER and the HOLY SPIRIT, eternal
world without end. *Amen*.

For the Clergy.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O THOU great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Holy and Eternal JESUS, give unto Thy servants the ministers of the mysteries of Christian religion, the spirit of prudence and sanctity, faith and charity, confidence and zeal, diligence and watchfulness, that they may declare Thy will unto the people faithfully, and dispense Thy Sacraments rightly, and intercede with Thee graciously and acceptably for Thy servants. Grant, O LORD, that by a holy life and true belief, by well doing and patient suffering (when Thou shalt call them to it), they may glorify Thee the great Lover of souls, and after a plentiful conversion of sinners from the error of their ways, they may shine like the stars in glory. *Amen.*

Give unto Thy servants, the bishops, a discerning spirit, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but may depute such persons to the ministries of religion, who may adorn the GOSPEL of GOD, and whose

lips may preſerve knowledge, and ſuch v
by their good preaching and holy liv
may advance the ſervice of the LORD JE
Amen.

For Bishops, Spiritual Pastors, and M
niſters of God's Word.

King Edward's Pri

O LORD, JESU CHRIST, moſt t
Paſtor and Shepherd of our ſo
we moſt humbly beſeech Thee, mercifi
to behold Thy poor and ſcattered flo
whom Thou haſt purchaſed with T
moſt precious Blood; and to ſend th
ſuch ſhepherds as both can and will d
gently ſeek up the loſt ſheep, lovingly
them on their ſhoulders, and faithfi
bring them home again to the ſheepfolc

Vouchſafe ever to continue in T
Church good biſhops, learned preach
faithful teachers, godly miniſters, and d
gent ſhepherds; even ſuch as have a
vent and unfeigned zeal towards the ſett
forth of Thy glory and the health of T
people. Endue them with Thy Ho

SPIRIT, that they may be faithfu
and diſcreet ſervants, giving Th
hold meat in due ſeaſon. Give th
Thy wiſdom, which no man is
reſiſt; wherewith alſo they may
able to exhort with wholeſome d
and alſo to convince and overcon
that ſpeak againſt it.

Finally, grant, we pray The
Merciful SAVIOUR, that, in all thin
may ſo behave themſelves, accor
Thy bleſſed will and commandme
when Thou, the moſt high Biſ
chief Shepherd, ſhalt appear, th
receive the incorruptible crown o
Amen.

For Church and State.

Bp.

O SOVEREIGN LORD! I
myſelf before Thee confe
own ſin, and acknowledging the j
any ſcourge which Thou ſhalt bri
us; and trembling to think how
may have contributed towards

ſeeching Thee to have compaſſion on
in theſe days of confuſion.

O LORD, prevent the judgments t
threaten us; purge this nation from
ſuch crimes as may be the cauſe of T
heavy diſpleaſure againſt us; from whc
dom and drunkenneſs; from ſweari
lying, and perjury; from ſacrilege,
juſtice, fraud, diſobedience, malice, a
uncharitableneſs. Take from among
the ſpirit of atheiſm, irreligion, and p
faneneſs; and in mercy rebuke and c
vert all ſuch as give encouragement
countenance to any of theſe vices, wh
may provoke Thee to give us up to i
delity or diſtraction. O let Thine an
be turned away from us; give us not o
unto the will of our adverſaries, and u
ſuch as ſtrive to bring all things into c
fuſion. Preſerve this Church in
midſt of all dangers; and reſtore unto
peace and unity; and grant us grace
make a better uſe of theſe bleſſings,
the time to come, for JESUS CHRIS
ſake. *Amen.*

For the State.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, Thou Which bringeſt the counſels of the heathen to nought, and makeſt the devices of the people to be of none effect, and caſteſt out the counſels of princes when they have offended Thee; have mercy upon this kingdom, forgive the ſins of this people; turn Thee unto them and bleſs them, that the world may ſay, Bleſſed are the people whoſe God is the Lord Jehovah, and bleſſed are the folk that He hath choſen to Him to be His inheritance. Lord, hear and grant for Jesus Christ His ſake. *Amen.*

Lord, bleſs this kingdom, that religion and virtue may ſeaſon all ſorts of men: that there may be peace within the gates, and plenty within the palaces of it. In peace, I beſeech Thee, ſo preſerve it, that it corrupt not: in war ſo defend it, that it ſuffer not: in plenty ſo order it, that it riot not: in want ſo pacify and moderate it, that it may patiently and peaceably ſeek Thee, the only full ſupply both of men

and ſtates; that ſo it may continue a pl
and a people to do Thee ſervice to the e
of time, through JESUS CHRIST our o
SAVIOUR and Redeemer. *Amen.*

O LORD, according to all Thy righ
ouſneſs, I beſeech Thee, let Thine an
be turned away from this city and T
people; and cauſe Thy face to ſhine up
whatſoever is deſolate therein, for Je
CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

For the Queen.

Bp. Coſin

O GOD, the unſpeakable Author
the world, Creator of men, G
vernor of empires, and Eſtabliſher of
kingdoms, Who out of the loins of
father Abraham didſt chooſe a King, W
became the SAVIOUR of all kings and
tions of the earth; bleſs, we beſee
Thee, Thy faithful ſervant, and our dre
Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, with
richeſt bleſſings of Thy grace. Eſtabl
her in the throne of her kingdom by T
mighty aid and protection; viſit her

Thou didſt viſit Moſes in the buſh, Joſhua in the battle, Gideon in the field, and Samuel in the temple. Let the dew of Thine abundant mercies fall upon her head, and give unto her the bleſſing of David and Solomon. Be unto her a helmet of ſalvation againſt the face of her enemies, and a ſtrong tower of defence in the time of adverſity. Let her reign be proſperous, and her days many. Let peace, and love, and holineſs: let juſtice and truth, and all Chriſtian virtues flouriſh in her time: let her people ſerve her with honour and obedience, and let her ſo duly ſerve Thee here on earth, that ſhe may hereafter everlaſtingly reign with Thee in heaven, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Queen.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, grant the Queen a long life, that her years may endure as many ages: furniſh her with wiſe and ſafe counſels, and give her a heart of courage and

conſtancy to purſue them. O prep
Thy loving mercy and faithfulneſs
her, that they may preſerve her: ſo
I always ſing praiſes unto Thy Na
through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Am*

O LORD, hear the Queen in the day
her trouble, that Thy Name, O GOD
Jacob, may defend her. Send her h
from Thy ſanctuary, and ſtrength out
Sion. Grant her her heart's deſire,
fulfil all her mind. Set her heart fi
upon Thee, and upon other things but
they are in and from Thee; that we
ſervants under Thee may ſee with joy t
Thou helpeſt Thine anointed, and t
Thou wilt hear her from Thy Holy H
ven, even with the wholeſome ſtrength
Thy right hand. And, O LORD, cl
not mine eyes till I ſee Thy favour ſh
out upon her, even for JESUS CHRIST
ſake. *Amen.*

For the Queen.

Bp. Coſin

GRANT, we beſeech Thee, Almig
GOD, that our Sovereign Lady

Queen may be a moſt mighty protector of her people, and religious defender of Thy ſacred faith, a bountiful comforter of Thy holy Church, a glorious triumpher over all her enemies, a gracious governor unto all her ſubjects, and that there may never be one wanting in her houſe, to rule this nation by ſucceſſion in all ages, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For our Parents.

Bp. Coſin.

ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, of Whom the whole family in heaven and in earth is named; I give Thee moſt humble thanks, for that Thou didſt, of Thy Divine Providence, vouchſafe to let me be born of Chriſtian parents, by whoſe care I was firſt brought into Thy holy Baptiſm, and afterwards brought up in Thy holy religion. I beſeech Thee, O bleſſed GOD, Who art the rewarder of every good work, to recompenſe them their full reward, even out of the riches of Thy bounty and goodneſs.

Give them peace and plenty; defend t
from all dangers both of body and ſ
keep them in the ſtedfaſtneſs of Thy fa
and in the obedience of Thy holy c
mandments: that ſo, having Thee t
merciful and gentle FATHER, after m
happy days here in this life, they ma
laſt be brought unto life everlaſting, thro
JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

For our Parents.

King Edward's Pr

THOU haſt given a commandmen
Thy law, O Heavenly FAT
that children ſhould honour their fat
and mothers; I moſt humbly beſ
Thee, therefore, to breathe Thy H
SPIRIT into my breaſt; that I may re
ence and honour my father and mot
not only with outward geſtures of
body, but alſo with the unfeigned affec
of my heart; love them, obey them,
for them, help them, and do for th
both in word and deed, whatſoever
in my power; that Thou ſeeing my

feigned, hearty goodwill toward my parents, mayeſt become my loving Heavenly FATHER; and number me among thoſe Thy children, whom from everlaſting Thou haſt appointed to be heirs of Thy glorious kingdom, through Thy well-beloved SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Another Prayer for our Parents.

Bp. Coſin.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Who haſt ſtrictly commanded us to honour our father and our mother next unto Thee; Grant me of Thy goodneſs and grace ſo to love, and to honour my parents, to fear and to obey them, to help and to pray for them, as Thou in Thy holy Word haſt directed and charged me to do; that both in their life and at their death, their ſouls may bleſs me, and by Thy fatherly mercy I may obtain that bleſſing which Thou haſt promiſed to thoſe that honour their father and their mother; and that Thou, ſeeing my unfeigned heart and reverence towards them, mayeſt become my loving Heavenly

FATHER, and number me among those Thy children who are heirs of Thy glorious kingdom, through Thy well-beloved and dear SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For a Wife.

King Edward's Primer.

FORASMUCH, O Heavenly FATHER, as Thou hast called me from a single life unto the holy state of honourable wedlock, which is Thy good and blessed ordinance, I most heartily pray Thee, grant me grace to live with the wife Thou hast given me according to Thy godly pleasure; to love her as CHRIST loved the Church; to cherish her as I would cherish my own body; to provide for her according to my ability; to instruct her in the knowledge of Thy blessed Word; quietly and peaceably to live with her: and to agree together in such perfect concord and unity as is found among the many members in one body, seeing now that we also are no *more two* but one flesh, that others seeing *our godly* and quiet conversation, may

hereby be led to forſake all wicked living, and to embrace the holy ſtate of honourable wedlock, unto the glory and praiſe of Thy Holy Name. *Amen.*

For a Husband.

King Edward's Primer.

O LORD, foraſmuch as Thou, of Thy fatherly goodneſs, haſt vouchſafed to keep me from my tender age unto this preſent; and haſt now called me from my ſingle life unto the holy ſtate of honourable wedlock, that I, living therein, might, according to Thine ordinance, bring forth children unto Thy glory, give me grace, I moſt entirely beſeech Thee, to walk worthy of my vocation; to acknowledge my huſband to be my head; to be ſubject unto him; to learn Thy bleſſed Word of him; to reverence him; to obey him; to pleaſe him; to be ruled by him; peaceably and quietly to live with him; to wear ſuch apparel as is meet for my degree; and ſuch clothing as becomes a ſober Chriſtian woman; circumſpectly and

warily to look to my houſehold, that nothing periſh through my negligence; and always to have a diligent eye, that no diſhoneſty, no wickedneſs be committed in my houſe; but, in it, all things be ordered according to Thy holy will, Who art worthy of all honour, glory, and praiſe, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be said by Married Persons in behalf of themselves and each other.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL and Gracious FATHER, Who haſt conſecrated the holy eſtate of marriage to become myſterious, and to repreſent the union of CHRIST and His Church, let Thy HOLY SPIRIT ſo guide me in the doing the duties of this ſtate, that it may not become a ſin unto me; nor that liberty which Thou haſt hallowed by the Holy JESUS, become an occaſion of licentiouſneſs by my own weakneſs and ſenſuality: and do Thou forgive all thoſe *irregularities* and too ſenſual applications *which* may have, in any degree, diſcom-

posed my spirit and the severity of a Christian. Let me in all accidents and circumstances, be severe in my duty towards Thee, affectionate and dear to my wife [or *husband*], a guide and good example to my family, and in all quietness, sobriety, prudence, and peace, a follower of those holy pairs who have served Thee with godliness and a good testimony. And the blessings of the eternal God, blessings of the right hand and of the left, be upon the body and soul of Thy servant my wife [or *husband*], and abide upon her [or *him*] till the end of a holy and happy life; and grant that both of us may live together for ever in the embraces of the holy and eternal Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A Maiden's Prayer for her Future Husband.

Bp. J. Taylor.

LORD, bless and preserve that dear person, whom Thou hast chosen to be my husband; let his life be long and *blessed*, comfortable and holy; and let me

alſo become a great bleſſing and com
unto him; a ſharer in all his joys, a
freſhment in all his ſorrows, a meet he
for him in all accidents and chances of
world. Make me amiable, for ever
his eyes, and very dear to him. U
his heart to me in the dereſt unior
love and holineſs; and mine to him i
ſweetneſs, and charity, and complia
Keep from me all moroſity and unge
neſs, all ſullenneſs and harſhneſs of di
ſition, all pride and vanity, all diſcon
tedneſs and unreaſonableneſs of paſſion
humour; and make me humble and
dient, charitable and loving, patient
contented, uſeful and obſervant; tha
may delight in each other accordin
Thy bleſſed Word and ordinance, and
of us may rejoice in Thee, having our
tion in the love and ſervice of God
ever and ever.

O Bleſſed FATHER, never ſuffer
miſtakes or diſcontent, any diſtruſtful
or ſorrow, any trifling arreſts of fancy
unhandſome accident, to cauſe any unk
neſs between us: but let us ſo dearly

ſo affectionately obſerve, ſo religiouſly attend to each other's good and content, that we may always pleaſe Thee, and by this learn and practiſe our duty and greateſt love to Thee, and become mutual helps to each other in the way of godlineſs; that when we have received the bleſſing of a married life, the comforts of ſociety, the endearments of a holy and great affection, and the dowry of bleſſed children, we may for ever dwell together in the embraces of Thy love and glories, feaſting in the marriage ſupper of the Lamb to eternal ages, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen. Amen.*

A Wife's Prayer in behalf of a Vicious Husband.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL FATHER, Thou Preſerver of men, Thou great Lover of ſouls, Who didſt ſend Thy Holy SON to die, that mankind might be redeemed, and ſin might be deſtroyed: Thou knoweſt how intolerable a thing it is that a ſoul

ſhould, to eternal ages, be encircled with Thy wrath and the indignation of a mighty and an angry God: and, therefore, doſt love to do miracles of mercy, becauſe Thou loveſt not that a ſinner ſhould periſh: be pleaſed to give Thy handmaid leave to preſent her humble deſires in behalf of a ſinner, one ſinner for another; the miſerable for him that is ready to periſh. Lord, look down in mercy upon my huſband; ſnatch him from the jaws of hell, ſuffer him not to periſh in his ſins; but open his eyes with the light of Thy Word and Thy Spirit, that he may eſpy his danger, that he may behold the deformity of his ſins, [the injurioufneſs of his actions, the folly of his pleaſures[1]], the iniquity of his vows.

Cleanſe his hands and heart from all unrighteoufneſs [from blood-guiltineſs, from rapine, from violence, from cruelty], O Lord, and purify his ſoul and body from all impurity, [from all intemperance, from the violence and fury of paſſion], giving

[1] *Or* other offences againſt God, as the caſe *may be.*

him a perfect repentance, and a perfect pardon: and if it be Thy will, let me alſo, ſome way or other, co-operate towards the recovery of his precious ſoul; and be pleaſed to remember the ſufferings of Thy handmaid, not that he may receive evil, but that I may find good from Thy gracious hands, in the day of recompenſe, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for Safe Childbirth.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY FATHER of men and Angels, in Whoſe hands are the keys of life and death, of the womb and of the grave, look down at this time in great mercy and gentleſt compaſſion upon Thy ſervant. Thou haſt, O GOD, upon the weakeſt of mankind fixed the ſharpeſt degree of painful childbirth; but ſo Thou loveſt to magnify Thy mercies and Thy power, that Thy ſtrength may be ſeen in *our weakneſs*; ſo let it be, O GOD, unto *Thy handmaid*; let Thy loving-kindneſs

be her confidence and her reſt, her h
and her ſecurity, now and in the hour
her travail.

LORD, let Thy holy Angels be pre
with Thy ſervant, in their holy and c
ritable miniſtries about her perſon; it
great thing that we require; but we
it of the great King of Heaven and ea
the LORD of Angels, Who hath promi
that His Angels ſhall ſtand in circuit ro
about them that fear the LORD: look,
LORD, upon her fear; it is humble, bu
is trembling: look upon her love,
make it what it is not yet: do Thou ſa
tify her fear of Thee, and change it i
obedience, and carefulneſs of duty:
creaſe her love of Thee, and make it
be pure and perfect, operative and b
zealous and obedient; make it to grow
to the perfections of a Chriſtian, and
unto the beauties of holineſs: ſo ſhall T
ſervant feel Thy daily mercies, and no
ſhall come near to hurt her.

Gracious FATHER, give Thy ſerv
leave to rely upon Thy glorious promi
Thou haſt commanded us to call u

Thee in our trouble, and haſt promiſed to deliver us: O look upon Thy handmaid, leave her not, nor forſake her, for trouble is hard at hand, and there is none that can help or deliver but only Thou, O God. In Thee, O Lord, do we truſt, let Thy ſervants never be confounded. Be pleaſed, O Lord, to give Thy ſervant patience and dereliction of her own deſires, perfect reſignation of her own will and a conformity to Thine; that ſhe may with joy receive the bleſſing which Thou wilt chooſe for her, and which we humbly beg of Thee, even that ſhe may have a holy, a healthful, a joyful, and a ſafe deliverance of her burden. Lord, keep her from all ſad accidents and evil contingencies, from violent pains and paſſions, from all indecency of comportment and unquietneſs of ſpirit, from impatience and deſpair, from doing anything that is criminal, or feeling anything that is intolerable.

O Lord our God, give Thy ſervants leave to pray unto Thee in behalf of this Thy handmaid, that Thou wilt not cut her off in the midſt of her days, nor for-

ſake her when her ſtrength faileth: but ſpare her, O God, not for any purpoſes of vanity, or the ſatisfaction of any impotent or ſecular deſires, but that ſhe may live to ſerve Thee, to redeem her time miſſpent in folly, to get victory over temptations and perfect dominion over her paſſions, to grow great in religion, and of an excellent charity and devotion. O ſpare her a little, that ſhe may recover her ſtrength before ſhe goes hence and be no more ſeen; ſo ſhall Thy ſervant rejoice in Thy mercies, and ſpeak of Thy loving-kindneſs in the Church of Thy redeemed ones, and will ſpend her days in holineſs and zealous purſuances of religion. Remove her ſins far from her, as the eaſt is from the weſt; for Thou didſt ſend Thy moſt holy Son to die for us, and redeem us from all the powers of ſin and hell: Thou knoweſt whereof we were made, and remembereſt that we are but duſt: O do not viſit her ſins upon her by a haſty death, but manifeſt Thy mercies and Thy pardon, by giving her a mighty grace, that ſhe may live a holy life: and be pleaſed to grant this

alſo, that thoſe impreſſes of pious reſolutions, and religious purpoſes of fear and love, of hope and deſire, which Thy grace in the circumſtances of her preſent condition makes upon her, may abide in her ſoul for ever; and, in the days of eaſe and ſafety, may be as operative and productive of holineſs, as now they are of a hearty prayer, and paſſionate deſires for Thy mercies upon her, in a ſafe and bleſſed childbirth.

LORD, bleſs her child; grant that it may be born with a right ſhape and a perfect body, with a comely countenance and ſtraight limbs, with entire ſenſes and expedite faculties, with an excellent power of underſtanding and ſweet diſpoſitions; and let Thy HOLY SPIRIT of grace conduct it to the ſacrament of baptiſm, and in ſafety and holineſs from the cradle to the grave. Grant this, O eternal GOD, for His ſake, Who was born of a holy maid, and ſuffered the infirmities of nature, and died for our ſins, and roſe again *for our juſtification*, even our LORD and *SAVIOUR JESUS* CHRIST. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a Child to be Baptized.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who haſt given the promiſe of Thy Spirit to us and to our children, even to as many as the Lord our God ſhall call: give Thy Holy Spirit to this infant, that the evil ſpirits of darkneſs may not take Thy portion from Thee, nor hurt the body, nor deceive the underſtanding, nor corrupt the will, nor tempt the affections of this infant: but that Thy Spirit, Who bloweth where It liſteth, and no man knows whence He cometh nor whither He goeth, may be in this child as the ſeed of God ſpringing up to life eternal; that the kingdom of God which is within, and cometh not with obſervation, may early rule and conduct this infant, prevent the folly of *his* childhood from growing up to ſins in *his* youth, and may work ſtrongly in *him* when *his* weakneſs, *his* ignorances, and temptations, are moſt powerful to prevail upon *him*; that from *his* cradle to *his* grave *he may* be guided by the Spirit of God in

the paths of the Divine commandments. Admit *him*, O God, into the bosom of the Church, into the arms of Thy mercy, into a right of the promises, into the service of Christ, into the communion of saints; and give *him* power to become a child of God, that being buried with Christ in baptism, *he* may also rise with Him through the faith of the operation of God, through the same our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be said by Parents for their Children.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, Who hast promised children as a reward to the righteous, and hast given them to me as a testimony of Thy mercy, and an engagement of my duty; be pleased to be a Father unto them, and give them healthful bodies, understanding souls, and sanctified spirits, that they may be Thy servants and Thy children all their days. Let a great Mercy and Providence lead them through the dangers

and temptations and ignorances of their youth, that they may never run into folly and the evils of an unbridled appetite. So order the accidents of their lives, that, by good education, careful tutors, holy example, innocent company, prudent counſel, and Thy reſtraining grace, their duty to Thee may be ſecured in the midſt of a crooked and untoward generation: and if it ſeem good in Thine eyes, let me be enabled to provide conveniently for the ſupport of their perſons, that they may not be deſtitute and miſerable in my death; or if Thou ſhalt call me off from this world by a more timely ſummons, let their portion be Thy care, mercy, and Providence, over their bodies and ſouls: and may they never live vicious lives, nor die violent or untimely deaths; but let them glorify Thee here by a free obedience, and the duties of a whole life; that, when they have ſerved Thee in their generations, and have profited the Chriſtian commonwealth, they may be co-heirs with JESUS, in the *glories* of Thy eternal kingdom, through *the ſame* our LORD, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

A Mother's Prayer for her Children.

Bp. J. Taylor.

MOST Gracious and Eternal God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father of men and Angels, Father of mercies, and God of all comforts; Thou haſt promiſed to be a Father to a thouſand generations of them that love and fear Thee; be Thou a God and a Father to me, and the children which Thou haſt given me. Enable me, O Lord, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and in the fear of God, to the praiſe of Thy holy Name. O give me Thy grace and favour, that I may inſtruct them with diligence and meekneſs, govern them with prudence and holineſs, provide for them uſeful employments, and competent proviſions of life and comfort, leading them in the paths of religion and juſtice, by example and precepts of holineſs; never provoking them *to wrath*, never indulging them in their *follies*, never conniving at an unworthy

action; and that all my children may be Thine, O preſerve them in Thy favour, or take them away from hence while they are. If Thou pleaſeſt let them live to a full age, but ſecure to them a full meaſure of piety and holineſs, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

To this end give them grace to obey their parents, that doing the duty, they may receive the promiſe: preſerve them from ſin and ſhame, from youthful follies, and youthful crimes. Sanctify them throughout in their bodies, and ſouls, and ſpirits; that their thoughts may be pure and holy, not diſpleaſing or miſbecoming the eye of Him Who is the Searcher of hearts; let their words be true, prudent, and ingenuous, ſeaſoned with grace, and apt to miniſter grace unto the hearers: let all their actions in their whole life, be ſuch as become the ſervants of JESUS, holy and uſeful, that they may not be burdens to the public or to their family: but pleaſing Thee and doing good to others, they may *increaſe* in the love of GOD, and in favor *ith men*, and may have the portion

the meek and humble in this world, and of the pure and merciful in the world to come; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For our Children.

King Edward VI.'s Primer.

THE fruit of the womb, and the multitude of children is Thy gift and bleſſing, O LORD GOD; given to this end, that they may live to Thy glory and the commodity of their neighbour. Foraſmuch, therefore, as Thou, of Thy goodneſs, haſt given me children, I beſeech Thee give me alſo grace to train them up, even from their cradles, in Thy nurture and doctrine, in Thy holy laws and bleſſed ordinances; that from their very young age they may know Thee, believe in Thee, fear, love, and obey Thee, and diligently walk in Thy commandments all the days of their life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Relatives.

Lake.

ALMIGHTY God, the Creator and Preſerver of all men (Who haſt commanded me to honour *my father and my mother*;[1] grant me of Thy goodneſs and grace ſo to love and honour *them*, to fear and obey *them*, to help and to pray for *them*, as Thou in Thy Holy Word haſt directed and charged me to do, that both in their lives and deaths their ſouls may bleſs me.) Give, I pray Thee, to (them and) all my relations and benefactors, deliverance from all dangers both of body and ſoul; keep them in the ſtedfaſtneſs of Thy faith, and in the obedience of Thy commandments; bleſs, them, O Lord, and make us all doubly dear to each other both in the fleſh and in the Lord, and that for our Lord Jesus Christ's ſake. *Amen.*

[1] This is only to be ſaid by thoſe who have parents or a parent.

For Relations, Benefactors, &c.

Bp. Wilson.

BE gracious, O LORD, unto my relations, benefactors, enemies, and all that have desired my prayers; all who, by their own labours, do minister to our necessities; together with all our known and unknown benefactors. Render, O GOD, a good reward, and a plentiful return, to all those who have been kind and charitable. Grant that we may all so live here, as that we may meet hereafter in the paradise of GOD. *Amen.*

For Friends and Kinsmen.

Abp. Laud.

GOOD LORD, bless all the places to which Thou hast made me have any nearer reference, the place where I was born, &c.; every soul contained in any of these, all my friends, kindred, acquaintance, any unto whom Thou hast made me any way beholding; especially my nearer and my bosom friends, —— &c.

All thoſe, &c., LORD, I beſeech Thee, forgive me and them all our ſins, and continue us Thy ſervants both in life and death. *Amen.*

For Benefactors.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, Thou Fountain of all good, of all excellence both to men and Angels, extend Thine abundant favour and loving-kindneſs to my patron, to all my friends and benefactors: reward them, and make them plentiful recompenſe, for all the good which, from Thy merciful Providence, they have conveyed unto me. Let the light of Thy countenance ſhine upon them, and let them never come into any affliction or ſadneſs, but ſuch as may be an inſtrument of Thy glory and their eternal comfort. Forgive them all their ſins; let Thy Divineſt Spirit preſerve them from all deeds of darkneſs. Let Thy miniſtering Angels guard their perſons from the violence of the ſpirit of darkneſs. And Thou Who

knoweſt every degree of their neceſſity by Thy infinite wiſdom, give ſupply to all their needs by Thy glorious mercy, preſerving their perſons, ſanctifying their hearts, and leading them in the ways of righteouſneſs, by the waters of comfort, to the land of eternal reſt and glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For Masters.

King Edward's Primer.

O LORD JESU CHRIST, we are commanded by Thy bleſſed Apoſtles, that we ſhould honour and obey our bodily maſters, in fear and trembling, not only if they be good and courteous, but alſo though they be froward; and ſerve them, not unto the eye, as men pleaſers, but with ſingleneſs of heart; not churliſhly, anſwering them again, nor picking, ſtealing, or conveying away parts of their goods unjuſtly; but ſhowing all good faithfulneſs unto our maſters, as though we ſerved GOD, and not men. Grant me grace, I moſt humbly beſeech Thee, ſo to

ſerve my maſter and my ſuperiors, that there may be found no fault in me; but that I, behaving myſelf uprightly, juſtly, faithfully, and truly in my vocation, may do honour to the doctrine of Thee, my GOD and SAVIOUR, in all things. *Amen.*

For our Servants.

King Edward's Primer.

THY commandment is by Thy holy Apoſtle, O moſt merciful LORD CHRIST, that maſters ſhould treat their ſervants gently; putting away threatenings, and doing that unto them which is juſt and equal: foraſmuch as we alſo have a Maſter in heaven, with Whom there is no reſpect of perſons. Grant, I moſt heartily pray Thee, that I may ſo order my ſervants, that I attempt no unrighteouſneſs againſt them; but that I may ſo uſe my rule and authority over them, that I may always remember that Thou art the common LORD of all, and we all Thy *ſervants*; alſo that I may not forget that *we be all* brethren, having one FATHER.

Which is in heaven, and look for one glorious kingdom, where Thou, with the FATHER and the HOLY GHOST, liveſt and reigneſt, true and everlaſting GOD, for ever. *Amen.*

For our Servants.

Abp. Laud.

GRACIOUS FATHER, bleſs my ſervants, and make them Thine; give them grace to ſerve Thee firſt, with faithfulneſs, ſoberneſs, and diligence. Make me ever willing, and in ſome meaſure able, to repay unto them the time and the ſtrength which they either have or ſhall ſpend to do me ſervice, even for JESU CHRIST His ſake. *Amen.*

Prayer in Behalf of our Charges.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, merciful and gracious, have mercy upon my family [or *pupils or pariſhioners*, &c.] and all committed to my charge: ſanctify them with Thy grace, preſerve them with Thy

Providence, guard them from all
the cuſtody of Angels, direct them
ways of peace and holy religion
miniſtry and the conduct of Th
Holy SPIRIT, and conſign them a
the participation of Thy bleſſin
graces in this world, with healthful
with good underſtandings, and ſa
ſpirits, to a full fruition of Thy
hereafter, through JESUS CHRIST ou
Amen.

For Rich Men.

King Edward's

ALBEIT, LORD, Thou art the
of all good things, and throu
bleſſing men become rich, that are
and juſtly rich; yet we are taught i
Divine Scriptures, that riches, a
cares of worldly things ſmother anc
up Thy holy Word; and that it i
eaſy for a camel to go through the
a needle, than for a rich man to ent
the kingdom of heaven. Again, th
which will be rich, fall into temp
and ſnares, and into many fooliſh a

ſome luſts, which whelm men into perdition and deſtruction (for covetouſneſs is the root of all evil), we, therefore, perceiving by Thy bleſſed Word ſo many incommodities, yea peſtilences of man's ſalvation to accompany riches, moſt entirely beſeech Thee to bleſs ſuch as Thou haſt made rich, with a good, humble, and loving, and free mind; that they remembering themſelves to be Thy diſpenſers and ſtewards, may not ſet their minds upon the deceitful treaſures of this world, which are more brittle than glaſs, and more vain than ſmoke, nor yet heap up thick clay againſt themſelves; but liberally and cheerfully beſtow part of ſuch goods as Thou haſt committed unto them, upon their poor neighbours: make for themſelves friends of this wicked mammon; be merciful to the needy; be rich in good works; and ready to give and to diſtribute to the neceſſity of the ſaints, laying up in ſtore for themſelves a good foundation againſt the time to come; that they may obtain everlaſting life, through JESUS CHRIST, Thy SON, *our* LORD. *Amen.*

For Poor People.

King Edwa

AS riches, ſo likewiſe pover
gift, O LORD; and as
made ſome rich to deſpiſe th
goods, ſo haſt Thou appointed
poor, that they may receive T
at the rich man's hands. A
godly rich are well beloved of
in like manner are the poor, tha
croſs of poverty patiently, and t
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and riches, are of Thee, O I
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Thee to burden with the yoke o
that they may with a patient an
heart walk in their ſtate, like to
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of Thy well-beloved SON, (whc
ther patiently and godly to die,
juſtly or by force to get any ma
and by no means envy, murmur,
againſt ſuch as it hath pleaſed
endue with more abundance

goods: but knowing their ſtate, although never ſo humble and baſe, to be of Thee their LORD GOD, and that Thou wilt not forſake them in this their great need, but ſend them things neceſſary for their poor life, may continually praiſe Thee, and hope for better things in the world to come; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Prayer for those who Mourn.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Who governeſt all things in heaven and earth with infinite wiſdom, and infinite mercy, and bringeſt good out of evil, comfort out of ſorrow, and after a gentle viſitation doſt refreſh Thy children with the light of Thy countenance, with the bleſſings of Thy Providence, with the returns of Thy grace, and the comforts of Thy HOLY SPIRIT; have mercy upon this family, and return to them all with Thy loving-kindneſs, exchanging their preſent ſorrow into the advantages of holineſs and bleſſing. Be

Thou now and ever what Thou glorieſt in, a FATHER of the fatherleſs, a Huſband to the widow, a GOD of comfort to them that mourn in ſecret. Grant that Thy ſervants may not weep as men without hope, nor murmur at Thy diſpenſation, nor complain of anything but themſelves, nor deſire anything but that Thy will be done, nor do anything but what is agreeable to Thy holy Word and commandment. And grant that when Thou ſmiteſt any of us, it may increaſe Thy fear in us; and when Thou doeſt good to any of us, in ſmiting or forbearing, in chaſtiſing or comforting, it may increaſe Thy love in us: and let Thy HOLY SPIRIT ſo prevail over all our wills and underſtandings, our affections and the outward man, our intereſts and our hopes, that we may live in this world pleaſing to Thee, and may go out of this world with the peace of a holy conſcience, and may have a joyful reſurrection in the laſt day, to the participation of the glories of GOD, through *JESUS* CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Afflicted.

Lake.

O LORD, bless all the afflicted members of the Body of Thy SON, wheresoever, howsoever distressed; send them constant patience, and speedy deliverance, as seems best to Thee, and is best for them; and do unto them according to all those mercies, which I would or should desire Thou shouldest show to my own soul, if at any time Thou shalt be pleased to make my estate as theirs is at this present; and then, O LORD, be merciful. *Amen.*

For the Sick.

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O ALMIGHTY GOD, the help of all that put their trust in Thee, incline Thine ear to me, who desire now to make my prayer and supplication in behalf of Thy servant now lying on the bed of sickness. Look upon him, I beseech Thee, with *pity* and compassion; be favourable

and gracious unto him according to his need and the multitude of Thy tender mercies in CHRIST JESUS our LORD.

In ſubmiſſion to Thy moſt wiſe diſpoſal, I implore Thee to abate his diſtemper, to eaſe his pains, and to reſtore him in Thy due time to health and ſtrength: but however Thou ſhalt be pleaſed to deal with his corruptible body, yet let his ſoul be ever precious in Thy ſight; waſh it, O LORD, in the Blood of Thy bleſſed SON, that cleanſed from all defilements it may be preſented pure and ſpotleſs before the throne of Thy grace.

O give him a right diſcerning of the things which belong unto his peace: enable him to finiſh the great work he has to do; give him true repentance of all his ſins, and a firm reliance on Thy moſt gracious promiſes; and grant him that peace of GOD which paſſeth all underſtanding. Fit him, O LORD, I pray Thee, for living and dying, for whatever in Thy wiſe and righteous Providence Thou haſt *deſigned* for him: and if Thou haſt *determined* that this ſickneſs ſhall be a ſick-

neſs unto death, prepare him, O merciful God, by Thy grace for Thy bleſſed Self, and grant him a ſafe and comfortable paſſage out of this world to that which is infinitely better, through the merits and mediation of Thy bleſſed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Sick who deſire the Prayers of the Church.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY and moſt Gracious Father, Who art the Fountain of life, and health, and pardon, hear the prayers of Thy ſervants in behalf of our *brother*, the miſerable for the afflicted, of ſinners for him whom Thou haſt ſmitten. Lord, lay no more upon *him* than Thou ſhalt enable *him* to bear, but give *him* patience; and do Thou Thyſelf open a door for *his* eſcape, even by a holy and a reformed life, and a ſpeedy recovery, or elſe by a bleſſed death, as Thou in Thy infinite loving-kindneſs, ſhalt chooſe for Thy glory and *his* eternal intereſt.

LORD, give unto Thy *ſervant* a perfect repentance and a perfect pardon of all *his* ſins. Remember not the errors of *his* youth, the weakneſſes of *his* ſpirit, the ſurpriſes of *his* life, and the crimes of *his* choice: but join *his* preſent ſufferings to the paſſion, *his* prayers to the interceſſion, and *his* repentance to the merits of our deareſt SAVIOUR JESUS; that *he* may be pardoned and pitied, comforted and ſupported, ſanctified and ſaved, in the day of recompenſes.

Bleſſed JESUS, Who haſt overcome all the powers of ſin, hell, and the grave, take from Thy *ſervant* all inordinate fear of death, give *him* a perfect reſignation of *his* will, and conformity to Thine; reſtrain the power of the enemy, that he may not prevail againſt the ſoul which Thou haſt redeemed: if it be Thy will give *him* a ſpeedy reſtitution of *his* health, and a holy uſe of the affliction; or if Thou haſt otherwiſe decreed, preſerve *him* in Thy fear and favour, and receive *his* ſoul to mercy, to pardon, and eternal *life, through* Thy mercies and for Thy

compaſſion's ſake, O bleſſed SAVIOUR and Redeemer JESUS. *Amen.*

Prayer in behalf of the Sick.

Bp. J. Taylor.

I.

A Prayer for Repentance.

O ALMIGHTY GOD and moſt merciful FATHER, Who delighteſt not in the death of a ſinner, but that he be converted from his ſin, and Thou be turned from Thine anger; give unto Thy ſervant a deep contrition for *his* ſins, a perfect hatred of them, a timely and an entire dereliction of them; grace to fear Thee, and grace to love Thee; powers to ſerve Thee, and time and grace to finiſh all the work of GOD, which Thy ſervant ought to do; that the ſoul of Thy ſervant, being waſhed white in the Blood of JESUS, may be juſtified by Thy mercy, ſanctified by Thy Spirit, bleſſed by Thy Providence, ſaved by Thine infinite and *eternal* goodneſs, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

2.

For Patience and Ease.

O Almighty and moſt gracious SAVIOUR, Who didſt ſuffer with meekneſs and patience thoſe ſevere ſtripes of Thy FATHER'S wrath which we did deſerve, but Thou didſt feel, and haſt eſtabliſhed with mankind a covenant of faith and patience, a law of ſufferings, making the way of the croſs to be the way of heaven: give to Thy ſervant Thy grace, that according to Thine excellent example and holy commandment, *he* may bear the burden of the LORD with an even and a willing, an obedient and a loving ſpirit. O let *him* never charge Thee fooliſhly, nor murmur ſecretly, nor make too much haſte; but, with faith and hope, ſubmit *his* body and ſoul to Thy merciful and juſt diſpenſation; that *he* may not diſcompoſe the duties of *his* repentance by a new ſin, nor provoke Thee to anger by *his* impatience, nor offend them who charitably miniſter to *him*, nor neglect the doing of anything that can be in *his* power or in his duty to do

to *his* body or *his* ſoul. O God, be merciful unto Thy ſervant, and preſs not *him* with an unequal load; but remember that we are but fleſh and vanity, that we are cruſhed before the moth, and die in Thy diſpleaſure: give *him* eaſe and reſt, a quiet mind and a peaceful conſcience: make Thou all *his* bed in *his* ſickneſs; and deliver *him* not into the will of *his* ſpiritual enemies: but glorify Thy mercies, and make Thy goodneſs illuſtrious, upon Thy ſervant, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

3.

Againſt Death and the fear of it.

O Eternal God, Who for the ſin of man, didſt ſend death into the world, and by the reſurrection of Thy Holy Son didſt bring life to all believers; have mercy upon this Thy ſervant, whom Thou haſt ſmitten with Thy rod, and brought into the valley of tears, and the ſhadow of death; O let not Thy fierce anger go beyond a fatherly correction; let this rod be diſcipline, not vengeance: let it kill *his* ſin, but not the man: but in judg-

ment remember mercy; take from Thy ſervant all inordinate fear; give *him* a preſent mind, a hopeful ſpirit, a faithful heart, a perfectly repenting conſcience, a charitable and a devout ſoul. Take from *him* the fear, and take from *him* the ſentence of death; preſerve *his* life, and reſtore *his* health, if that be beſt for *him;* for to Thy power we ſubmit, on Thy goodneſs we do depend, by Thy wiſdom we deſire to be governed, and that Thy love ſhould chooſe for Thy ſervant. But if Thou haſt otherwiſe decreed, O grant to Thy ſervant the comfort of a holy hope, and the ſtrengths of an unconquerable faith; the conſtancy of an unmoved patience, and the meekneſs of a perfect reſignation; that to *him* to live may be CHRIST, and to die may be gain; that whether *he* lives or dies, *he* may be Thine, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

4.

For Pardon.

O moſt gracious and eternal SON of GOD, *Who only* haſt power to forgive ſins, and

to reſcue erring ſouls from the power of ſin, and from the wrath of God: be gracious to Thy ſervant, who confeſſes Thy juſtice in *his* ſufferings and begs to feel Thy mercy in *his* pardon, and Thy pity in *his* eaſe and reſtitution. Contend no longer with the miſerable, who confeſſes *himſelf* guilty: reject *him* not that begs for remiſſion of *his* ſins, and remiſſion of Thine anger: remember not the follies of *his* childhood, nor the vanities of *his* youth, the ſins of *his* tongue, nor the ſins of *his* anger; the ſins of deſire, nor the innumerable breaches of charity; *his* infinite omiſſions of duty, and the inexcuſable actions of *his* choice. Thou haſt glorified Thyſelf in all generations of the world by giving pardon to the penitent, and eaſe to the afflicted, comfort to the comfortleſs, and refreſhment to the weary: behold, O God, the ſorrows of Thy ſervant, and remember *his* ſins no more: behold the paſſion and the pains which our bleſſed Lord ſuffered for our ſins; and let not the ſins of Thy ſervants cauſe Thee to take another forfeiture, and pro-

duce another and an eternal anger: but ſpare Thy ſervant in Thine anger; and remember *him* in Thy mercy, and pity *him* in Thine infinite compaſſion, and relieve *him* with mighty grace, and deliver *him* from *his* ſins, and bring *him* to Thy glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

5.

If he be in, or near, the agonies of Death.

O Bleſſed GOD, Thou Lover of ſouls and the SAVIOUR of Thy ſervants, Who gaveſt Thy SON to die for us, that we might live in Him: look with mercy and great compaſſion upon the ſoul of Thy ſervant, for whom the LORD JESUS gave His precious Blood. Now, O GOD, is that ſad period in which *he* is to be conſigned over to *his* final ſentence: now is the day of *his* great expenſe; *his* needs of mercy are great as *his* ſins, and great as dangers, and great as all *his* enemies; let *him* receive the fruit of all *his* labours, a *bleſſed* return of all his prayers, the grace of *Thy* promiſes, and the effect of all the

ſufferings of the Holy JESUS: now, O GOD, let *him* find the end of *his* hopes, and a juſt peace in *his* conſcience, a ſpiritual communion with CHRIST, and the benefit of all His Paſſion, pardon of *his* ſins, and the ſweeteſt viſitations of Thy HOLY SPIRIT the Comforter. Now let *him* feel the effect of Thy mighty power and of Thy glorious victory over ſin and all the powers of darkneſs: let them have no portion in *him;* and let Thine anger end in comfort and pardon, in the viſitation of Angels, and the glorious appearing of Thy HOLY SPIRIT. Now let *him* feel the truth of religion, and the ſubſtance of the things *he* hath hoped for; the verification of Thy promiſes, and the goodneſs of GOD; let all the ſermons of the Goſpel paſs into real exhibition of Thy loving-kindneſs: and let Thy ſervant rejoice in the portions of the bleſſed, in the redemption of *his* ſoul, in the communion of ſaints, in the ſociety of the ſpirits of juſt men made perfect, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Dying.

From the New Manual.

O LORD, we pray Thee, raiſe up Thy power, and come among us, and with great might ſuccour Thy ſervant now languiſhing in great weakneſs of body. Look with mercy on him, who in our eyes is now drawing near the time of his diſſolution.

Perfect, O LORD, his repentance, and make it effectual, through the Blood of the ever-bleſſed JESUS. For CHRIST's ſake pardon all the errors of his paſt life, that he may come to his great change without guilt, and that he may feel its approach without fear. O grant that through the valley of the ſhadow of death he may look to the bright regions of eternal bliſs, in a well-grounded aſſurance of reconciliation with Thee.

But whether Thou ſeeſt fit to give him ſuch a foretaſte of happineſs, yet, O merciful GOD, take him not out of this world *until* Thou haſt fitted and prepared him *for a* better, that when he goes forth to

meet the Bridegroom, he may not find the door for ever ſhut againſt him. O LORD, with Thee nothing is impoſſible—if Thou wilt, Thou canſt even yet raiſe him up, and grant him a longer continuance amongſt us: nevertheleſs, not our will, but Thine be done: into Thy hands we deſire to commit him: to Thy mercies in CHRIST JESUS we commend him. O LORD, hear his prayers, and the prayers of all his friends for him; ſupport him in his laſt agonies; ſtrengthen him under all his weakneſſes; viſit him with the ſtrong conſolations of the HOLY SPIRIT; and finally receive him into the bleſſed ſociety of Saints and Angels, there to love, and praiſe, and adore Thee to all eternity, through the merits of Thy beloved SON, JESUS CHRIST the Righteous. *Amen* and *Amen*.

For Madmen.

Bp. J. Taylor.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Whoſe wiſdom is infinite, Whoſe mercy is eternal, Whoſe tranquillity is eſſential, and Whoſe

goodneſs hath no ſhore; in judgment remember mercy, and do Thou delight to magnify Thy mercy upon them who need it, but cannot aſk it; who are in miſery, but feel it not; who do actions without choice, or chooſe without diſcretion and ſober underſtanding. Pity the evil they ſuffer, and pardon the evils that they have done, and impute not unto them the evils which they rather bear than act; and let not their entry into this calamity be an excluſion from their future pardon; but let this ſad calamity and judgment which they bear, be united to the ſufferings of our LORD, and be ſanctified by His interceſſion, and become an inſtrument of their peace. LORD, reſtore them to their health and underſtanding; take from them all violent paſſions, and remove all evil objects far from their eyes and ears: create a clean heart, and renew a right ſpirit in them: give them ſober thoughts and meek ſpirits, contempt of the world, and love of holy things; ſuffer them not to do *violence* to any man, and let no man do *violence* to them: let them be ſafe under

the conduct of Thy Providence, and the public laws, and be innocent under the conduct of Thy HOLY SPIRIT; that when Thou shalt return and speak peace to Thy people, they may rejoice in Thy mercies and salvation. Thou didst, O GOD, show mercy to Nebuchadnezzar, and gavest to him the heart of a man, after he had sinned, and fallen into the lot of beasts and wildness; and Thy hand is not shortened that Thou canst not help; but let Thy mercies and loving-kindness return upon Thy servants as at first, that Thou mayest rejoice in Thy mercies and salvation, because Thou hast pleasure in the prosperity of Thy servants. Grant this, Almighty GOD and FATHER, for JESUS CHRIST's sake our LORD and dearest SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

In behalf of Idiots.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ETERNAL and most blessed SAVIOUR JESUS, Who art the wisdom of the FATHER, and art made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and

redemption, have pity upon the miſerable people to whom Thou haſt given life and no underſtanding, Thou didſt create us of nothing, and gaveſt us being when we were not, and createdſt in us capacity of bleſſings when we had none, and gaveſt us many when we did not underſtand them; Thou bringeſt infants from the womb, and from the ſtate of nature to the ſtate of grace, and from their mother's breaſts Thou doſt often convey them to the boſom of JESUS, and yet they do nothing, but Thou art glorified in Thy free gift. O be gracious to all natural fools and innocents, for Thou hateſt nothing which Thou haſt made, and loveſt every ſoul which Thou haſt redeemed; we, that have reaſon, can deſerve heaven no more than theſe can; but theſe do not deſerve hell ſo much as we have done. Impute not to them their follies that are unavoidable, nor the ſins which they diſcern not, nor the evils which they cannot underſtand; keep them from all evil and ſad miſchances, and make ſupply of their want of the defences of reaſon, by the ſpecial

guard of Angels; and let Thy obedience and Thy ſufferings be accepted, and Thy interceſſion prevail for them; that ſince they cannot glorify Thee by a free obedience, Thou mayeſt be glorified by Thy free mercies to them; and for their deſtitution of good in this world, let them receive eternal bleſſings in the world to come, through Thy mercies, O eternal and moſt bleſſed SAVIOUR JESUS. *Amen.*

For our Enemies.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, I beſeech Thee, forgive mine enemies all their ſins againſt Thee, and give me that meaſure of Thy grace, that for their hatred I may love them, for their curſing I may bleſs them, for their injury I may do them good, and for their perſecution I may pray for them. LORD, I pray for them; forgive them, for they know not what they do. *Amen.*

For Enemies.

Abp. Laud.

BLESSED FATHER, bless all sorts of men in their particulars; mine enemies with the forgiveness of sins: turn their hearts, that they may no longer hate Thy servant; and if they will not be turned, deliver me not over, I beseech Thee, into their power. And next after the salvation of my soul, I humbly beg it, deliver me not into the hands of men, to the shame or scorn of the world. *Amen.*

For Heretics.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MOST blessed, most gracious SAVIOUR JESUS, Who art the Way, and the Truth, and the Life; Thou That art a Light to them that sit in darkness, the Light that lighteneth every man that cometh into the world; preserve Thy Church in peace and truth, in love and holiness, to Thy second coming: reduce every misbeliever to the fold of Th

Church; inſtruct every ignorant perſon in the ways of godly wiſdom; ſubdue the pride of man, and bring every underſtanding to the obedience of Thy ſacred law. Let no man's vanity or ignorance divide the Church, let not any holy truth be ſullied with the mixture of impure and heretical doctrines, nor evil principles diſorder the beauties of religion and godly living, nor any doctrines of men be taught as the commandment of God; but grant that the truth of God may be publicly maintained, conſtantly taught, humbly believed, zealouſly practiſed by all men in their ſeveral ſtations; that in the Church of God there be no contention, but in giving honour to each other, and glory to God in all the ways of faith and charity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Acts of Praise, Adoration,

and

Thanksgiving.

"I WILL SACRIFICE UNTO THEE WITH THE VOICE OF THANKSGIVING."—JONAH II. 9.

"IN EVERY THING BY PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING, LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN UNTO GOD."—PHILIPPIANS IV. 6.

ACTS OF PRAISE, ADORATION, AND THANKSGIVING.

An Act of Praise.

Bp. Andrewes.

O LORD, my LORD, I bless Thee:

For my being, my life, my endowment with reason;

For my nourishment, my preservation, my guidance;

For my education, my civil government, my religion;

For the gifts of grace, of nature, of the world;

For my redemption, for my regeneration, my instruction in the truth;

For the voice of Thy calling, repeated *often*, again and again;

For Thy patience, Thy long-suffering, Thy very long forbearance,

Many a time and oft, and many a year till now;

For all the benefits I have received, for all my undertakings which have prospered;

For all the little good I may have done:

For the enjoyment of present good, for Thy promise and my hope of enjoying good to come:

For my kind and honest parents, my gentle teachers,

My benefactors never to be forgotten;

My brethren of one mind with me, my congregation who listen to me;

My relations who are my friends, my faithful domestics,

For all who

By their { Writings, Sermons, Discourses, Prayers, Examples, Reproofs, Persecutions } have done me good.

For all these and for all others,

Known or unknown, open or concealed, remembered or forgotten.

Aſked or unaſked,

I praiſe Thee and will praiſe,

I bleſs Thee and will bleſs,

I thank Thee, and will give Thee thanks.

Who am I, O LORD GOD, and what is my father's houſe, that Thou ſhouldeſt look upon ſuch a dead dog as I am?

What reward ſhall I give unto the LORD, for all the benefits that He hath done unto me?

What thanks can I render unto GOD for all things wherein He hath ſpared me until now?

Holy, Holy, Holy, LORD GOD Almighty, Thou art worthy, O LORD, to receive glory, and honour, and power; for Thou haſt created all things, and for Thy pleaſure They are and were created. *Amen.*

An Act of Adoration.

Bp. Andrewes.

O GOD the FATHER, of heaven,
Who didſt wonderfully create the world out of nothing;
Who by Thy power doſt govern and uphold the heavens and the earth;
Who didſt deliver Thine only-begotten SON to death for us:
O GOD the SON, Redeemer of the world,
Who didſt vouchſafe to be incarnate of a virgin;
Who by Thy precious Blood haſt cleanſed us from ſin;
Who, having riſen from the dead, didſt aſcend in triumph to heaven:
O GOD the HOLY GHOST, the Comforter,
Who didſt deſcend upon JESUS under the form of a dove;
Who didſt ſit upon the Apoſtles like tongues of fire;
Who didſt viſit and confirm by Thy *grace* the hearts of Thy Saints:
O holy, ſupreme, everlaſting, glorious,

and bleſſed TRINITY, ever worthy to be praiſed, yet ever ineffable;

O righteous FATHER, O kind SON, O gentle SPIRIT,

Of majeſty inexpreſſible, of power incomparable, of goodneſs ineſtimable, Whoſe work is life, Whoſe love is grace, Whoſe contemplation is glory;

Unity in TRINITY, but One Godhead;

I pray to Thee, I call upon Thee, I bleſs Thee, with the whole ſtrength of my heart now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thou that art the GOD of the living; as well as of the dead;

To Whom both we belong, whom the preſent life yet detains in the fleſh, and they alſo, who, having put off the body, have paſſed into the life to come;

Grant unto the living mercy and grace;

Grant unto the dead eternal reſt and light;

Grant unto Thy Church truth and peace,

And unto us ſinners penitence and pardon. *Amen.*

General Thanksgiving.

Hele.

O MOST gracious and most bountiful LORD! Who art good, and doest good, and art pleased in mercy; I desire to bless and adore Thy holy Name for all the manifestations of Thy goodness to me and all mankind. I bless Thee for making us after Thine own Image, capable of knowing, serving, and enjoying Thee for ever; and for restoring us when lost, to the hope of immortal happiness, by the sufferings and death, the resurrection and intercession of Thy blessed SON JESUS CHRIST; Who came into the world to redeem us from the punishment of our sins by His Blood, and from the power of them by His grace; and by both to bring us to His glory.

O LORD, I bless Thee for all Thy spiritual and temporal blessings to my friends, relations, and benefactors. More particularly I adore and magnify Thy mercy *to me, Thy* most sinful and unworthy *servant.* I thank Thee for the use of all

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ORD, give me grace ſo to uſe

prove all Thy blessings here, that they be an earnest to me of those richer blessings, which Thou hast prepared in heaven for those that love Thee, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD; to Whom with Thee, and the HOLY GHOST, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A Form of General Thanksgiving.

Bp. Ken.

"WORTHY art Thou, O LORD of heaven and earth, to receive glory, and honour, and power, for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."

Thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens with all their host, the earth and all things that are therein, Thou preserveſt them all, and the host of heaven praiseth Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O LORD GOD Almighty, for creating man after Thine own Image, and making so great variety of creatures, to minister to his use!

Glory be to Thee, Who giveſt us life,

and breath, and all things; Who giveſt us fruitful ſeaſons, and filleſt our hearts with food and gladneſs!

Glory be to Thee, O LORD GOD, for all Thy many bleſſings and deliverances, for all Thy forbearance and long-ſuffering to this ſinful nation! Glory be to Thee, O LORD, Who haſt made me alſo ſhare in thoſe public mercies, and for that light of the Goſpel Thou vouchſafeſt us, of which the greateſt part of the world is totally ignorant.

Glory be to Thee, O Heavenly FATHER, for my being and preſervation, ſtrength and health, underſtanding and memory, friends and benefactors, and for all my abilities of mind and body.

Glory be to Thee, O Heavenly FATHER, for my competent livelihood, for my education, for all my known or unknown deliverances, and for the guard Thy holy Angels keep over me.

But above all, glory be to Thee, for giving Thy only SON to die for my ſins, and for all the ſpiritual bleſſings He has *purchaſed* for me, for my baptiſm, and all

the opportunities Thou giveſt me of ſerving Thee, or of receiving the holy Eucharist; for whatever ſin I have eſcaped, for whatever good I have done or thought, for all my helps of grace and hopes of heaven, glory be to Thee! Praiſe the LORD, O my ſoul, and all that is within me, praiſe His holy Name.

Glory be to Thee, O LORD JESUS, for Thy inexpreſſible love to loſt man! Glory be to Thee, O LORD, for condeſcending to take our frail nature on Thee: Glory be to Thee, for all Thy heavenly doctrine to inſtruct us, Thy great miracles to convince us, and Thy unblameable example to guide us.

Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed JESUS, for Thy agony and bloody ſweat, for all the torments and anguiſh of Thy bitter paſſion.

Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed JESUS, for Thy glorious reſurrection and aſcenſion into heaven, and intercession for us at the right hand of Thy FATHER!

O gracious LORD, Thou That haſt done *ſo much* for me, how can I ever ſufficiently *praiſe* and love Thee!

Praiſe the LORD JESUS, O my ſoul, and all that is within me praiſe His holy Name!

Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed SPIRIT, glory be to Thee, for all the miraculous gifts and graces Thou didſt beſtow on the Apoſtles, to fit them to convert the world, and for inſpiring the ſacred penmen of Holy Scripture.

Glory be to Thee for inſtilling holy thoughts into my ſoul, for all the ghoſtly ſtrength, and ſupport, and comfort, and illumination we receive from Thee; for all Thy preventing, and reſtraining and ſanctifying grace, glory be to Thee!

Bleſſed SPIRIT! let me never more by my ſins grieve Thee Who art the Author of life and joy to me! Praiſe the LORD, O my ſoul, and all that is within me, praiſe His holy Name.

[*Here, if you recite this thankſgiving, on any great feſtival, or Saint's day, you may add*], Particularly, O LORD, I am bound to praiſe Thee, for the great bleſſing we this day commemorate. [*Here mention it, for inſtance, the* Nativity of *our Bleſſed* SAVIOUR, *or the like.*]

Or for the Saint, whose memory we this day celebrate, [*Here you may name him, and add*], Praise the LORD, therefore, O my soul, and all that is within me.

Blessing, and honour, and thanksgiving, and praise, more than I can utter, more than I can conceive, be unto Thee, O most adorable TRINITY, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST, by all Angels, all men, al creatures, for ever and ever. *Amen, Amen*

General Thanksgiving.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, I give Thee humble a hearty thanks for the measure knowledge which Thou hast given me Thy truth; for giving me a love to and Thy Church; for quieting my sou the midst of Thy Church's distracti for the measure of rest and repose w Thou hast given me in Thee, where true content is found without Thee.

LORD, I give Thee humble thanks *wise* for the temporal blessings which *hast* heaped on me; the means whic

haſt given me to do good. LORD, I cannot name all Thy bleſſings; how ſhall I thank Thee for them? LORD, I will thank Thee for them, by honouring Thee in them. O give a heart to deſire all this, and grace to perform it; that my ſins may be forgiven me, and that I may be Thine, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

O praiſe the LORD, for He is gracious; O ſing unto His Name, for it is lovely. I will give thanks unto Thee, O LORD, with my whole heart, I will worſhip toward Thy holy Temple, and praiſe Thy Name; and that becauſe of Thy loving-kindneſs and truth, for Thou haſt magnified Thy Name and Thy Word above all things. LORD, give me grace to obey Thy Word, and to honour Thy Name for ever, in JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving.

Abp. Laud.

O LORD, I give Thee humble and hearty thanks; increaſe my thankfulneſs, I beſeech Thee, for all benefits

and bleſſings, both ſpiritual and temporal, which in the riches of Thy great mercy Thou haſt liberally poured down upon me, but eſpecially ſpiritual. LORD, let me not live but to praiſe and magnify Thee and Thy glorious Name. Particularly I give Thee moſt unfeigned thanks for my preſervation from the time of my birth to the preſent moment, for, &c. For bringing me ſafe to the beginning of this day, in which and all the days of my life, I beſeech Thee, preſerve me from ſin and danger, in ſoul and in body, that all my thoughts, words, and works, may tend to the honour and glory of Thy Name, the good of Thy Church, the diſcharge of my duty, the ſalvation of my ſoul in the day of my appearance and account to be made before Thee, through JESUS CHRIST our only SAVIOUR and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for the Blessings of this Life.

Hele.

O LORD GOD! Thou ſtrength of our health, in Whom we live, and

move, and have our being; Who giveſt to all men life, and breath, and all things; we render Thee moſt hearty and humble thanks and praiſe for our health and ſtrength, for our food and raiment, and for all the good things of this life, which by Thy great mercy we enjoy; beſeeching Thee ſtill to continue the ſame in us, and to give us grace always to uſe them to the advancement of Thy glory, to the good of our fellow-creatures, and the furtherance of our own ſalvation, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

At Morning Prayer for the Mercies of the Past Night.

Hele.

O ALMIGHTY GOD! I give Thee humble thanks, that Thou haſt vouchſafed to deliver me from all the perils and dangers of the night paſt: grant, I beſeech Thee, moſt merciful FATHER, that I through Thy help may both faithfully live, and walk according to Thy will *in this life* preſent, and alſo may be par

taker of everlaſting glory in the life to come, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

For the Morning.

Lake.

PRAISED be the LORD, from the riſing up of the ſun to the going down of the ſame.

Thou art my GOD, and I will thank Thee; Thou art my GOD, and I will praiſe Thee; Who haſt lightened mine eyes that I ſleep not in death; haſt delivered me from all the terrors of the night, and from the evil that walketh in darkneſs; Who reneweſt Thy mercies to me every morning, and haſt given me one more day to ſerve Thee, and call upon Thy Name. I laid me down and ſlept, and roſe up again, for Thou, LORD, only makeſt me to dwell in ſafety: to Thee, therefore, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST, the bleſſed, glorious, and undivided TRINITY, be honour and glory this day, and for evermore. *Amen.*

At Evening Prayer for the Mercies of the Day.

Hele.

O LORD our Heavenly FATHER, by Whoſe gracious Providence both day and night are governed, we humbly preſent unto Thee our ſacrifice of praiſe and thankſgiving for Thy Fatherly goodneſs towards us the day paſt; earneſtly beſeeching Thee to continue Thy merciful protection over us this night. Lighten our eyes that we ſleep not in death; defend us from all dangers ghoſtly and bodily; and keep us in perpetual peace and ſafety. And foraſmuch as Thou haſt made the time of our departure out of this life uncertain, grant that we may be always watching for the coming of our LORD to judgment, and ſo wiſely employ the few remaining days of our pilgrimage here on earth, that when we leave this world, our ſouls may be admitted into thoſe bleſſed manſions which Thou haſt appointed for the departed ſpirits of the righteous; there to abide in perfect reſt and peace, till the

ſound of the laſt trumpet ſhall awaken our bodies alſo unto a glorious reſurrection to eternal life, through the merits of Thine only SON JESUS CHRIST our SAVIOUR. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for a Special Blessing.

Hele.

O LORD GOD, FATHER of mercies, Fountain of comfort and bleſſing, of life and peace, of plenty and pardon, Who filleſt heaven with Thy glory, and earth with Thy goodneſs, I give Thee the moſt earneſt and moſt humble returns of my glad and thankful heart for that Thou haſt refreſhed me with Thy comfort, and enlarged me with Thy bleſſing; for beſides the bleſſings of all mankind, the bleſſings of nature, and the bleſſings of grace, the ſupport of every minute, and the comfort of every day, Thou haſt opened Thine hand, and at this time haſt poured out an excellent expreſſion of Thy loving-kindneſs upon me Thy moſt unworthy ſervant in—[*Here name the bleſſing*].

Thou, LORD, haſt not only ſpared me when I deſerved puniſhment, but haſt diſtinguiſhed me by this and many other ſpecial acts of grace and favour. O enlarge my heart with thankfulneſs, and fill my mouth with praiſes, that my returns of love and duty may bear ſome proportion to Thy marvellous loving-kindneſs and mercy; and grant me grace to improve theſe and all Thy other bleſſings to the ends for which they are beſtowed, even to the ſetting forth of Thy glory, and ſetting forward my own ſalvation and the good of others, through the merits and mediation of our bleſſed SAVIOUR and Redeemer, JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving after Childbirth.

(By the Mother.)

Bp. Coſin.

GRACIOUS GOD, by Whoſe Providence we are fearfully and wonderfully made, Who beholdeſt us when we are yet imperfect, and in Whoſe book are all our members written; I humbly

beſeech Thee to accept this my reverence of Thy power, and to receive this my moſt hearty praiſe and thankſgiving, which I now offer up unto Thy Divine Majeſty, for Thy bleſſed favour and goodneſs towards me, in vouchſafing to aſſiſt me during the time of this my dangerous travail, and to bleſs me with a joyful benediction, even the fruit of my own womb. Behold, O LORD, what Thine own hands alone have faſhioned; and grant that this little infant, which Thou haſt made by Thy power, may be preſerved by Thy goodneſs, and forthwith enjoying the benefit of Thy holy baptiſm, may be made a lively member of Thy Church, and be carefully brought up to ſerve Thee in all godlineſs and honeſty; through the merits of Thy well-beloved SON, JESU CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving after a Safe Deliverance.

(By the Mother.)

Spinckes.

THOU haſt, of Thy great goodneſs, O LORD, carried me ſafely through

the pain and peril of childbirth. I deſire, therefore, to pay my moſt humble acknowledgments and profoundeſt adoration to Thee, my SAVIOUR and Deliverer. To Thee be the praiſe that another child is born into the world; and that Thou haſt preſerved me, its mother, under the ſorrows with which I was encompaſſed. O be pleaſed to continue, increaſe, and ſanctify Thy mercies to Thine unworthy ſervant, that I may live to Thy honour, by Whoſe Providence alone it is that I live at all. Perfect what Thou haſt begun in me, and ſo eſtabliſh my health, that I may be fitted to praiſe and ſerve Thee. Preſerve me from the power of the tempter, and the corruption of my own evil heart, that I may not miſſpend any of the time Thou granteſt me for better purpoſes; but my whole ſtudy may be to obſerve Thy ſtatutes, and be every day improving in my obedience to them.

And caſt an eye of pity on my poor infant, which is not able to pray for itſelf: preſerve it to be an uſeful inſtrument of Thy glory. Grant it the grace of bap-

tiſmal regeneration, that, being received into covenant with Thee, it may be ſtedfaſt in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, and ſo paſs through the waves of this troubleſome world, that finally it may come to the land of everlaſting reſt, there to reign with Thee, in Thy heavenly glory, world without end, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, One GOD, bleſſed for evermore. *Amen.*

Thankſgiving after Childbirth.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O ALMIGHTY LORD and FATHER, Who healeſt every ſickneſs and every diſeaſe, and art ever gracious and always preſent to the prayers of them who, in the day of trouble, call upon Thy holy Name; Thou haſt given delivery to this Thy ſervant [and made her the mother of a living child], ſtill be pleaſed to continue and renew Thy loving-kindneſs unto her; keep her from all violent accidents and

intolerable pains, from colds and fevers; defend her by the cuſtody of Thy holy Angels of light, from all impreſſes of the powers of darkneſs: give her reſt and ſleep, a quiet ſpirit, and an eaſy body, confidence in Thee, and a daily ſenſe of Thy mercies; a ſpeedy reſtitution of health and ſtrength, and a thankful heart to praiſe Thee in the congregation of Saints, and to ſerve Thee with an increaſing and a perſevering duty all the days of her life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving after Childbirth.

Bp. J. Taylor.

O MOST merciful SAVIOUR and Redeemer JESUS, Who wert born of a pure and holy maid; Who haſt felt the calamities of mankind, and knoweſt how to pity our infirmities, and rejoiceſt in doing and in ſhowing mercy to all that need, and to all that call to Thee for ſuccour: we give Thee thanks and praiſe, that Thou haſt heard the prayers, and conſidered the cries, and relieved the neceſ-

fities, of this Thy ſervant, and kept her life from the grave, ſtill continuing to her a portion in the land of the living, and opportunities of ſerving Thee. O be pleaſed to continue and increaſe, and to ſanctify Thy mercies to Thy ſervant: pardon all her ſins, pity her infirmities, enable her duty, keep her from all evil by Thy bleſſed Providence, let her portion be in the things of God and of religion, in the light of Thy countenance, and the ſervice of Thy Majeſty: that ſhe, walking humbly and devoutly before Thee, piouſly and dutifully to her relatives, doing juſtice and giving good example to thoſe with whom ſhe ſhall converſe, may find the rewards of holineſs, and the eternal mercies of God, in the day of Thy glorious appearing, O bleſſed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving after a Baptism.

Bp. J. Taylor.

WE give Thee thanks and praiſe, C
Heavenly and moſt Gracious F

THER, that it hath pleaſed Thee to call this child to Thy holy baptiſm, to renew him with Thy HOLY SPIRIT, to admit him into the Church, to adopt him for Thy child, and to receive him unto the profeſſion of Thy faith: and we humbly beſeech Thee to grant unto him Thy grace, to accompany him all the days of his life, that he may hold faſt the profeſſion of his faith, making his calling and election ſure; that his body being waſhed in pure water, and he taſting of the heavenly gift, being made partaker of the HOLY GHOST, and ſprinkled in his heart from an evil conſcience, he may follow Thee in the regeneration, and, after the end of this life, he may for ever be with them who have waſhed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the LAMB. Grant this, O GOD our FATHER, through JESUS CHRIST our bleſſed SAVIOUR and Redeemer.

O moſt holy, moſt gracious SAVIOUR JESUS, Who loveſt Thy Church and haſt given Thyſelf for it, that Thou mayeſt ſanctify and cleanſe it with the waſhing

of water in the Word; do Thou with Thy HOLY SPIRIT enlighten, and with Thy Word inſtruct, the underſtanding of this child, that he may live by faith, and may receive the ſecrets of Thy kingdom, and know Thy Will, and obey Thy laws, and promote Thy glory.

O GOD, be Thou his FATHER for ever, CHRIST his elder Brother and his LORD; the Church his mother; let the Body of CHRIST be his food, the Blood of CHRIST his drink, and the SPIRIT the earneſt of his inheritance. Let faith be his learning, religion his employment, his whole life be ſpiritual, heaven the object of his hopes, and the end of his labours; let him be Thy ſervant in the kingdom of grace, and Thy ſon in the kingdom of glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Thankſgiving after Confirmation.

I BLESS and praiſe Thy Holy Name, O LORD GOD, for thoſe renewed aſſurances which Thou haſt vouchſafed me, of Thy favour and gracious goodneſs to-

wards me; and for that, though in Thy infinite wiſdom Thou haſt thought fit to withdraw the extraordinary gifts of Thy HOLY SPIRIT, Thou art yet pleaſed to guide Thy faithful ſervants by His ſecret and inviſible communications when they ſeek them in a regular and miniſterial way. O therefore let the bleſſing which I have received by the hands of Thy ſervant the Biſhop, be and remain with me, and moſt powerfully help and ſupport me in all trials and temptations, when I moſt need the aid of Thy HOLY SPIRIT. Leave me not a moment to my own frailty, without His aſſiſtance; but, through His ſuccours, enable me to adhere to that public and ſolemn profeſſion of my faith, which I have declared in the preſence of GOD, and the congregation; and faithfully to perform the promiſes I have renewed, of obſerving and keeping Thy holy commandments; that walking uprightly before Thee all my days, and being found watching, when my appointed time ſhall come, I may, from a life of righteouſneſs, be tranſlated to a life of glory, through

JESUS CHRIST, my only SAVIOUR and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving in Sickness, on the Abatement of Pain.

Kettlewell.

BLESSED be Thy mercy, O my GOD, Which pitieth me in my misery. As a father pitieth his children in the extremity of their pain, so hast Thou pitied me. LORD, my soul shall love Thee, and sing of Thy mercy; and in my distress I will always trust in Thee, and not be afraid, for Thou art our strength, whilst we suffer; and our merciful deliverer when we can endure no more. To Thee be glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving in Sickness, on Amendment or Prospect of Recovery.

New Manual.

O FATHER of mercies, and GOD of all comfort, Who hast vouchsafed

to grant me ſome eaſe, and to abate the ſeverity of my diſtemper, accept, I humbly pray Thee, of my unfeigned thanks for this, and for all other Thy mercies beſtowed upon me. Bleſſed be Thy goodneſs, O LORD, that I have ſtrength to praiſe Thee; that my ſenſes and underſtanding are preſerved entire; and that though I am brought very low, I am not without hopes, that Thou wilt raiſe me up. O perfect, if it be Thy bleſſed Will, what Thou haſt begun in me; and forſake not, I beſeech Thee, the work of Thine own hands. Repair all the decays in my outward man, and let my mind alſo be endued with greater ſtrength and abilities to do Thee ſervice, and with ſtronger deſires and reſolutions of loving and obeying Thee. Viſit me, O LORD, with Thy heavenly conſolations; fill me with comfortable thoughts of Thy love, and of that tender compaſſionate care which our LORD JESUS takes of all His afflicted ſervants. Give me a ſtill more perfect ſubmiſſion to Thy Will, that without any murmuring or repining, I may wait upon Thee, till

Thou ſeeſt fit to finiſh my recovery: and as my ſtrength increaſes, ſo let my reſolutions grow ſtronger of ſerving Thee faithfully all the remainder of my life; for which end I implore the aſſiſtance of Thy HOLY SPIRIT, through JESUS CHRIST my LORD; to Whom, with Thee, O FATHER, and the ever-bleſſed Comforter, be all honour, glory, love, ſervice, and obedience, by me, and all Thy creatures, for evermore. *Amen.*

Thankſgiving for Recovery from Sickneſs.

Bp. Ken.

O LORD GOD, Who haſt in Thy tender mercy prolonged my days in this world; give me grace to ſpend that life Thou haſt now lengthened, in Thy ſervice. O give me grace to perform all my reſolutions of new obedience, and ſo to live in the filial fear of Thee, all the remainder of my life, that I may at laſt die at peace with myſelf, at peace with the whole world, and at peace with Thee, through JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. *Amen.*

for Recovery from Sickness.

Abp. Laud.

), I give Thee humble and
thanks for the great and al-
ous bringing of me back from
of my grave. What Thou
for me to do or to suffer,
knowest. LORD, give me
. courage, and all Christian
do Thee service, and grace
nd let me not live longer,
iour Thee, through JESUS
nen.

giving after Recovery from Sickness.

Inett.

), Who hast chastised and
ted me, but not given me
ath, and so wrought for Thy
that I am now alive to praise
ich me to declare Thy works,
to day to tell of Thy salva-
may daily honour Thy Name,

and preſerve Thy goodneſs in everlaſting remembrance, that has raiſed me up from the gates of death, and once more reſtored the voice of joy and health to my dwelling. O kindle in my ſoul the moſt ſincere and holy love. Raiſe my heart to the higheſt pitch of gratitude; and, whilſt I have my being, teach me to praiſe Thee with joyful lips. O let Thy loving correction make me great in Thy favour, and teach me never more to ſleep in ſecurity and ſin. O let it be good for me that I have been afflicted, by teaching me from thence that my days are as a ſhadow, and my years as nothing, and in my beſt eſtate I am altogether vanity. That I may wait all the days of my appointed time till my change ſhall come; and be ready at what hour my LORD ſhall call. That Thy ſcourge may prepare me for Thy love, and Thy correction fit me to be received into Thy arms. Teach me to abhor my own iniquities, and raiſe my affections beyond the vanities of this world, that I may love *Thee* above all things, and my neighbour *as myſelf*. Let Thy Angels keep me in

all Thy ways, that, whatever I do, I may do all to Thy glory. O let grace increaſe with my ſtrength. Let my delight be in Thy law, that I may be exemplary in my life before men, that living, I may live in Thy fear, and dying, I may die in Thy favour, and reſt for ever in the felicities of Thy choſen, through JESUS CHRIST my SAVIOUR and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for Recovery from Sickness.

Whole Duty of Man.

O GRACIOUS LORD, the GOD of the ſpirits of all fleſh, in Whoſe hand my time is, I praiſe and magnify Thee, that Thou haſt, in love to my ſoul, delivered it from the pit of corruption, and reſtored me to health again. It is Thou alone, O LORD, That haſt preſerved my life from deſtruction; Thou haſt chaſtiſed and corrected me, but Thou haſt not given me over unto death. O let the life which Thou haſt thus graciouſly ſpared, be wholly conſecrated to Thee. Behold, O LORD, I am by Thy mercy made whole; O make

me careful to ſin no more, leſt a worſe thing come unto me. LORD, let not this reprieve Thou haſt now given me, make me ſecure, as thinking that my LORD delayeth His coming; but grant me, I beſeech Thee, to make a right uſe of this long-ſuffering of Thine, and ſo to employ every minute of that time Thou ſhalt allow me, that when Thou ſhalt appear, I may have confidence, and not be aſhamed before Thee at Thy coming. LORD, I have found by this approach towards death, how dreadful a thing it is to be taken unprepared: O let it be a perpetual admonition to me to watch for my Maſter's coming. And when the pleaſures of ſin ſhall preſent themſelves to entice me, O make me to remember how bitter they will be at the laſt. O LORD, hear me, and as Thou haſt in much mercy afforded me time, ſo grant me grace to work out my own ſalvation, to provide oil in my lamp, that when the Bridegroom cometh, I may go with Him to the marriage. *Grant* this, I beſeech Thee, for Thy dear *SON's ſake. Amen.*

Thanksgiving for the Departed.

King Edward's Primer.

O GOD, Which by the mouth of Thy Apoſtle, S. Paul, haſt taught us not to wail for them that ſleep in CHRIST: Grant, we beſeech Thee, that in the coming of Thy SON, our LORD JESU CHRIST, Who ſhall come to judge the quick and the dead, and the world by fire, we, with all other faithful people being departed, may be graciouſly brought unto the joys everlaſting. *Amen.*

Almighty GOD, we give Thee hearty thanks for thoſe Thy ſervants, whom Thou haſt delivered from the miſeries of this wretched world, from the body of death, and all temptation: and haſt brought their ſouls, which they committed into Thy holy hands, into ſure conſolation and reſt: Grant, we beſeech Thee, that at the day of judgment, we, with all Thy elect departed out of this life, may fully receive Thy promiſes, and be made perfect altogether, through the glorious reſurrection of Thy SON, JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

Thanksgiving for the Graces and Examples of the Saints.

Luke.

ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us not only to make prayers and supplications, but also to give thanks for all men; I offer up unto Thee most high laud and humble thanks for all Thy wonderful graces and virtues which Thou hast declared in all Saints; chiefly in the glorious and most blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of Thy Son Jesus Christ; and all others who have departed this life with the seal of faith, and do now rest in the sleep of peace; such as were the Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, and Confessors, holy virgins, pious matrons, and devout widows, who have washed the feet of the Saints; beseeching Thee that we may still continue in their holy communion, and enjoy the comfort thereof while we are on earth, following with a glad will and mind their holy examples of godly living and stedfastness in Thy faith; and that at

the laſt day we with them, and they with us, may attain to the reſurrection of the juſt, and have our perfect conſummation and bliſs both in body and ſoul in Thy eternal and everlaſting glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, to Whom with Thee and the HOLY GHOST, be aſcribed by us as is by Angels and Archangels, and the whole company of heaven, all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for those Departed this Life in God's Faith and Fear.

Hele.

I BESEECH Thee, O LORD, to accept my unfeigned thanks and praiſes to Thy Divine Majeſty for the graces and virtues Thou haſt wrought in Thy Saints, whom Thou haſt beſtowed upon Thy Church from the beginning of the world, to ſhine as lights in their generations; holy Patriarchs, and Prophets, Apoſtles, Martyrs, and Confeſſors; for whom, with all other Thy ſervants, our fathers and brethren, who have departed this life with

the ſeal of faith, and do now reſt in the ſleep of peace, I do deſire to praiſe and magnify Thy glorious Name; moſt humbly beſeeching Thee, that I may ſo follow their good examples, that I may together with them attain to the reſurrection of the juſt, and have my perfect conſummation both of ſoul and body in Thy kingdom of glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen.*

The Doxology.

Bp. J. Taylor.

GLORY be to the FATHER of mercies, the FATHER of men and Angels, the FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Glory be to the moſt holy and eternal SON of GOD, the bleſſed SAVIOUR and Redeemer of the world, the Advocate of ſinners, the Prince of Peace, the Head of the Church, and the mighty Deliverer of all that call upon Him.

Glory be to the holy and eternal SPIRIT *of GOD*, the HOLY GHOST the Comforter, *the ſanctifying* and life-giving SPIRIT.

All glory and thanks, all honour and power, all love and obedience, be to the bleſſed and undivided TRINITY, one GOD eternal.

The heavens declare Thy glory, the earth confeſſes Thy Providence, the ſea manifeſts Thy power; and every ſpirit, and every underſtanding creature, celebrates Thy greatneſs for ever and ever. All glory and majeſty, all praiſes and dominion be unto Thee, O GOD, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Final Prayers.

UNTO GOD's gracious mercy and protection I commit myſelf: the LORD bleſs me and keep me: LORD, make Thy face to ſhine upon me, and be gracious unto me: LORD, lift up Thy countenance upon me, and give me peace both now and evermore. *Amen.*

GOD the FATHER, bleſs me! GOD the SON, defend me! GOD the HOLY GHOST,

preſerve me! God the Holy Trinity, be with me now and for evermore. *Amen.*

The Lord bleſs and preſerve me in my going out and my coming in, from this time forth, for evermore. *Amen.*

The bleſſing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with me, and all related to me, this day, [or this night] and evermore. *Amen.*

The Lord fulfil the deſires and petitions of Thy ſervant, as may be moſt expedient for me: the Lord bleſs me, and keep me: the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon me, and give me peace, both now and for evermore. *Amen.*

To the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, and only wiſe God, Who is
the ever-bleſſed and adorable
Trinity, be all honour
and glory, now
and for ever.
Amen.

Diurnal.

"PRAY WITHOUT CEASING."—1 THESSALONIANS v. 17.

"I WILL THAT MEN PRAY EVERY WHERE."—1 TIMOTHY II. 8.

DIURNAL.

Short Ejaculations for Various Times and Circumstances of the Day.

At Waking.

As ſoon as ever you awake, offer up your firſt thoughts and words to God, ſaying,

GLORY be to the FATHER, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST, three Perſons and One GOD, bleſſed for evermore: all love, all praiſe, be to Thee.

As you are riſing, ſay,

I laid me down and ſlept, and roſe up again, for the LORD ſuſtained me: all love, all glory, be to GOD.

At rising.

I enter into this day to do all things in the name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. So be it.

At your apparelling, say,

Put ye on the LORD JESUS CHRIST, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof. Clothe me, O LORD, with the ornament of Thy heavenly grace, and cover me with the robes of righteousness, through JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

At the washing of your hands, say,

O wash me throughly from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sins; make me a clean heart, O GOD, and renew a right spirit within me, a spirit cleaving steadfastly unto Thee, through JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*

At meals.

LORD, grant that whatever I eat or drink, or whatever I do, I may do all to *Thy glory.*

When you hunger or thirſt, ſay,

Bleſſed are they that hunger and thirſt after righteouſneſs, for they ſhall be filled.

At work.

Proſper Thou the works of my hands, O LORD; O proſper Thou my handiwork.

At going out, or coming in.

LORD, bleſs my going out, and coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

When you ſtand upon ſome high place, ſay,

Thy mercy, O LORD, reacheth unto the heavens, and Thy faithfulneſs unto the clouds.

When you behold pleaſant fields, and variety of objects, ſay,

O LORD, how manifold are Thy works, in wiſdom haſt Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy riches.

When you ſee or hear anything extraordinary, ſay,

Bleſſed be the LORD GOD, even the

God of Israel, Who only doeth wondrous things! And bleſſed be the Name of His Majeſty for ever; and all the earth ſhall be filled with His Majeſty. *Amen, Amen.*

When you hear the clock, or ſee the hour of the day, ſay,

Our days upon earth are but as a ſhadow; and we bring our years to an end as a tale that is told; ſo teach me to number my days, that I may apply my heart unto wiſdom. *Amen.*

When you are ſad, or diſcontented, ſay,

Why art thou ſo full of heavineſs, O my ſoul, and why art thou ſo diſquieted within me? Put thy truſt in God, for I will yet give Him thanks for the help of His countenance.

In temptation.

Lord, ſuccour me with Thy grace, that I may overcome this temptation.

In the ſhop or market.

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LORD, give me grace to uſe this world ſo as not to abuſe it.

LORD, grant that I may never go beyond, or defraud my brother in any matter, for Thou art the avenger of all ſuch.

At any time of the day.

Wherever I am, whatever I do, Thou, LORD, ſeeſt me: O keep me in Thy fear all the day long.

After a ſin committed.

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LORD, be merciful to me, miſerable ſinner, and for the merits of my SAVIOUR, lay not this ſin to my charge.

At giving alms.

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O LORD, Who didſt not deſpiſe the widow's mite, accept of this little I now give, to relieve one of Thy poor members.

After a good deed.

Not unto me, O LORD, not unto me, but unto Thy Name be the praiſe.

After any bleſſing or deliverance.

Glory be to Thee, O LORD, for this bleſſing, or, for this deliverance!

Praiſe the LORD, O my ſoul, and all that is within me, praiſe His holy Name.

In danger.

O GOD, make ſpeed to ſave me: O LORD, make haſte to help me.

Ejaculations before reading Holy Scripture.

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Wherewithal, LORD, ſhall a young man cleanſe his way? even by ruling himſelf after Thy words.

LORD, open my eyes, that I may ſee the wonderful things of Thy law.

O Heavenly FATHER! I humbly beg *Thy* HOLY SPIRIT ſo to help me at this *time* to read, and underſtand, and to re-

member, and practiſe Thy Word, that it may make me wiſe to ſalvation.

After reading Scripture.

Bleſſed be Thou, O LORD, O teach me Thy ſtatutes!

LORD, make Thy Word a lantern unto my feet, and a light unto my paths.

LORD, make Thy Word my delight and my counſellor.

When you are aſked an alms, being able to give, ſay,

Bleſſed be GOD, Who hath not only given me ability, but this opportunity alſo to lay up in ſtore for myſelf a good foundation againſt the time to come, that I may lay hold on eternal life.

When you hear others evil ſpoken of, ſay,

LORD, who ſhall dwell in Thy tabernacle, or who ſhall reſt upon Thy holy hill? He that hath uſed no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour, and hath not ſlandered his neighbour.

Upon the ſenſe of your ſins, and the miſ-ſpending of your time, ſay,

Call to remembrance, O LORD, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving-kindneſs which have been ever of old. O remember not the ſins and offences of my youth, nor of my riper years. O deal not with me after my ſins, neither reward me after mine iniquities; but according to Thy mercy, think upon me, O LORD, for Thy goodneſs. *Amen.*

As you enter into your bed, ſay,

In the Name of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, Who was crucified upon His croſs, and laid into His grave for me, I lay me down to reſt; He bleſs me, and keep me, He ſave me, and raiſe me up again; and bring me at laſt unto life eternal. *Amen.*

As you betake yourſelf to ſleep, ſay,

Have mercy upon me, O LORD, now, and at the hour of death. *Amen.*

Preſerve me while I am waking, defend me while I am ſleeping, that my

ſoul may continually watch
both body and ſoul may reſt
for ever. *Amen.*

At bed-time.

I lay me down to reſt, in
the FATHER, and of the SON,
HOLY GHOST. *Amen.*

At going to bed.

I will lay me down in peace
my reſt; for it is Thou, LORD, o
makeſt me dwell in ſafety.

In bed.

Glory be to the FATHER, an
SON, and to the HOLY GHOST, tl
ſons and one GOD, bleſſed for e
all praiſe, all love be to Thee.

In the night.

Thou, LORD, haſt granted Th
kindneſs in the day time, and in
eaſon will I ſing of Thee, and
rayer to the GOD of my life.
O LORD, the holy Angels ar

fore Thy throne in heaven, they never reſt day or night from Thy praiſes, and with them do I now ſing hallelujah, ſalvation, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto our God for ever and ever. *Amen, Amen.*

O Lord, I know Thou wilt one day call me to give an account of my ſtewardſhip, but when Thou wilt come I know not, whether at even, or at midnight, or at cock-crowing, or in the morning.

O do Thou give me grace to watch, and to pray always, that at Thy coming Thou mayeſt ſay to me, "Well done, good and faithful ſervant, enter into the joy of thy Maſter." *Amen,* bleſſed Lord, *Amen.*

O Lord, Thou haſt proved and viſited my heart in the night ſeaſon, Thou haſt tried me; O bleſſed Father, purge me, that Thou mayeſt find no wickedneſs in me, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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